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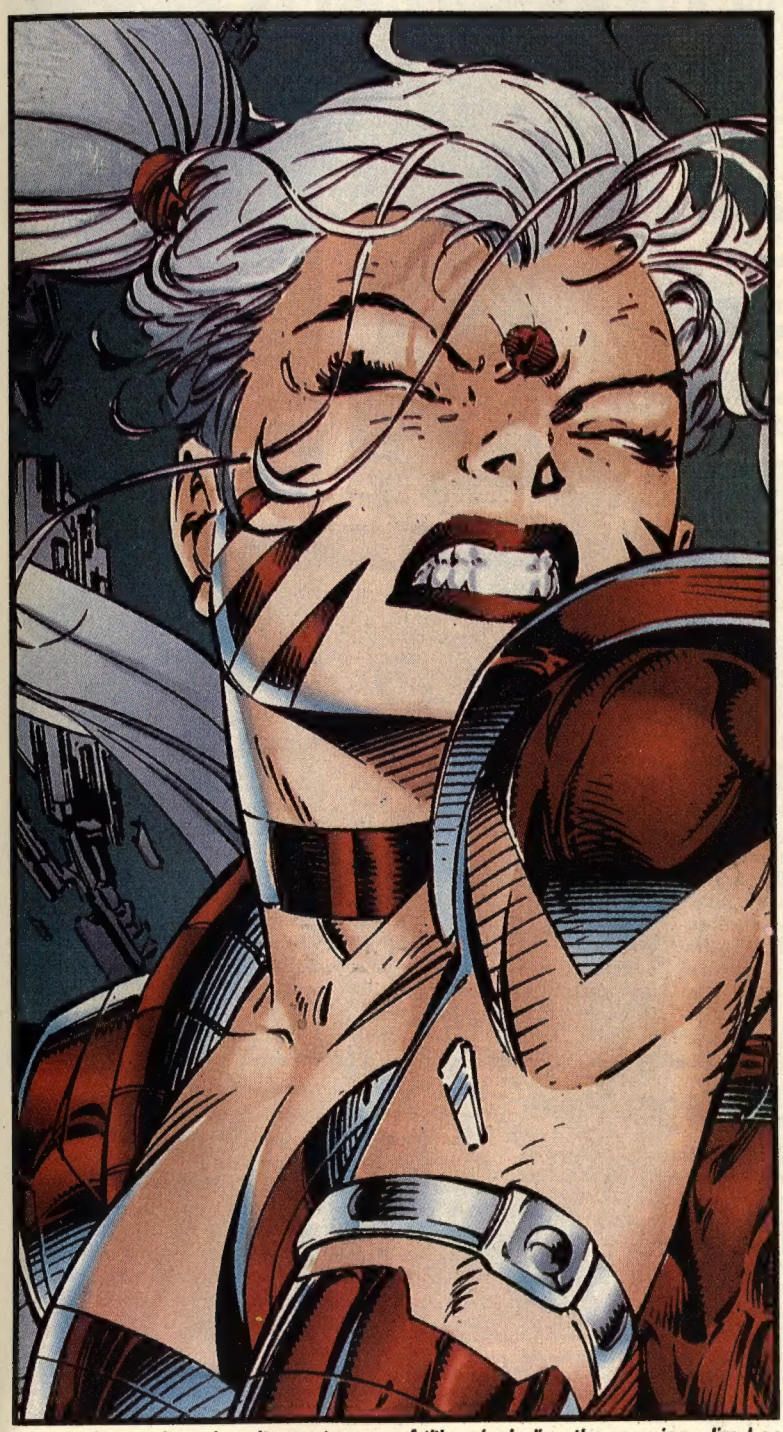

Above: Image launches its next wave of titles, including the ongoing Jim Lee ***WILDC.A.T.S*** *title, as #5 continues from the 4-issue mini-series in September.*

FOLLOWING an aggressively competitive season of new premium titles and hot creative properties, the world's most established superheroes have regained their top spots as the biggest sellers on the American trade order charts for August shipping titles.

Despite their hefty cover prices, DC's **Batman** #500 ($3.95) and **Superman** #82 ($3.50) are placed at first and second positions in the sales chart of leading US supplier, Diamond Comic Distributors.

DC's resurgence in popularity, enhanced by its critically acclaimed Vertigo line, is being financially reinforced by the current chart-topping mainstream superhero story lines. Its **Adventures of Superman** #505 ($2.50) charts at a buoyant number four.

In a market which has doubled in size over the last year,, Image and Valiant have been forced out of the top five by more widely-known properties. Marvel – who once controlled over 50% of the direct sales market – has seen a renewal of interest in its mutant-hero titles, thanks in part to the success of the *X-Men* animated TV series due to be transmitted in the UK on BSkyB later this year. Marvel's tenth mutant title, **X-Men 2099** #1 ($1.75), splits the Superman titles at position number three, while the more expensive **X-Men** #25 ($3.50) charts at number five.

New contender Defiant Comics pushes Image and Valiant further down the charts with the retitled **Warriors of Plasm** #1 ($2.95) launching at sixth place. This leaves the remaining four spots for the Valiant-Image crossover **Deathmate Epilogue**, two new Image titles, **Stryke Force** and **Gen-X**, and Valiant's **Second Life of Doctor Mirage** #1.

Deservedly, DC has won six Diamond Gem awards for its work, including Marketing Campaign of the Year Award for its *Death of Superman* strategy.

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Season of the Bat

THE BUILD-up to Halloween and the popularity of the current *Knightfall* story line means a gamut of new Batman publications are set for release this autumn.

■ **Batman & Houdini: The Devil's Workshop** (64 page prestige oneshot; $5.95) is by writers Howard Chaykin and John Francis Moore. Using the *Elseworlds* umbrella of alternative timelines, it tells of an early 1900s Darknight Detective teaming up with the world's greatest escape artist to investigate the disappearance of Gotham's street children.

With painted art by Mark Chiarello, **Batman & Houdini: The Devil's Workshop** ships on September 28.

■ Connecting DC's two most popular characters for an *Elseworlds* Super-Bat oneshot, in **Superman: Speeding Bullets** (48 pages, $4.95) author JM DeMatteis presents an intriguing alternative. What if baby Kal-El had been discovered by Thomas and Martha Wayne?

Maintaining the regular Batman time-line, the child sees his parents gunned down on the streets of Gotham, but unlike Bruce Wayne, he takes instant revenge and then becomes a nocturnal predator with faint regard for truth or the American way. Instead he becomes a Bat-Man whose obsession is justice... and vengeance.

Drawn by the highly talented but underrated Eduardo Barreto, **Superman: Speeding Bullets** ships on September 14.

■ **Batman: Legend of the Dark Knight Annual 3** (64 pages, $3.50) continues the *Bloodlines* story with Azrael encountering disparate brothers: one a priest, the other a killer. Written by Dennis O'Neil, the annual is pencilled and inked by Mike Manly and ships on September 21.

■ Hot of the heels of the annual, **Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight Halloween Special** #1 is an 80 page enhanced-cover title priced $6.95, shipping on October 12.

Without no interior ad pages, this deluxe format special has Jeph Loeb and Tim Sale provide a story from Batman's past featuring self-styled terror of Gotham, the Scarecrow.

■ While it may not be made available in Britain, Bat-completists should also look out for a new licensed venture from New York's Welsh Publishing Group, **Superman and Batman Magazine**.

Launched in America on July 6, each issue of the 250,000 launch $1.95 quarterly will include two original comics strips produced by regular DC creators as well as DC-related features & interviews.

Proving that no window is safe when he's around, three shots of The Batman in smashing mood. Above: Kelley Jones and John Beatty from ***Batman: Dark Joker - The Wild.*** *Left: Mike Manley art of the new Batman, from* ***Legends of the Dark Knight Annual 3.*** *Below: Mike Mignola art from September's* ***Legends of the Dark Knight #54.***

New readers: begin here

Comics International is a monthly industry trade newspaper devoted to the comics medium. As such, it provides details of forthcoming UK and US comics and related items.

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Season of the Bat: Take 2

CONTINUING the Halloween Batman extras, DC also has the following titles in production:

■ **Batman: Two-Face Strikes Twice.** A two-issue prestige format mini-series written by Mike W. Barr, each issue is split into the *flip-book* format with two stories, each telling a related encounter.

Joe Staton adopts a Golden Age style for one story behind a cover by veteran artist Dick Sprang who editor Dennis O'Neil describes as the "quintessential artist of Batman's early years"

while Daerick (**Vampire Lestat**) Gross paints the flip-side story and cover in a modern style.

While Dick Grayson stars as the Boy Wonder in one story, the current Robin - Tim Drake - features in the other.

With issue one shipping October 26, each 48 page issue is priced $4.95.

■ **Batman: Dark Joker - The Wild** is a new 96 page hardcover *Elseworlds* graphic novel with a holographic foil-enhanced dust jacket, retailing at $24.95.

Reuniting the team from **Batman & Dracula: Red Rain**, Doug Moench and Kelley Jones

tell a story of dark fantasy set in a realm of sword and sorcery.

Starring a savage and ferocious Bat-Man, the book features an evil wizard with a madman's grin, who covets a mystic land (The Wild), but must face the terrifying being who has been created to oppose him.

Batman: Dark Joker - The Wild ships on November 9.

■ Making a departure from tales of Batman's past, **Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight 55** begins a 3-part story set in the future by Chuck Dixon and *Judge Dredd's* Mike McMahon, not seen since his Epic series **The Last American**.

Watchtower tells of a Gotham where violent crime has escalated out of control and a private security firm makes moves, both political and covert, to put Batman and Commissioner Gordon out of business.

Priced $1.75, **Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight 55** ships on October 26.

■ While a $4.95 Kelley Jones & Kevin Nowlan poster of the new Batman ships on October 19, the continuing *Knightquest* storyline spreads beyond August to October's Bat-titles **Detective Comics, Batman** and **Batman: Shadow of the Bat** into the following:

Justice League Task Force 5 (31/8)
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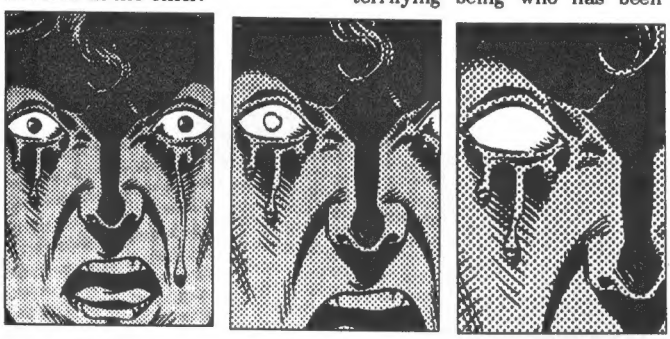
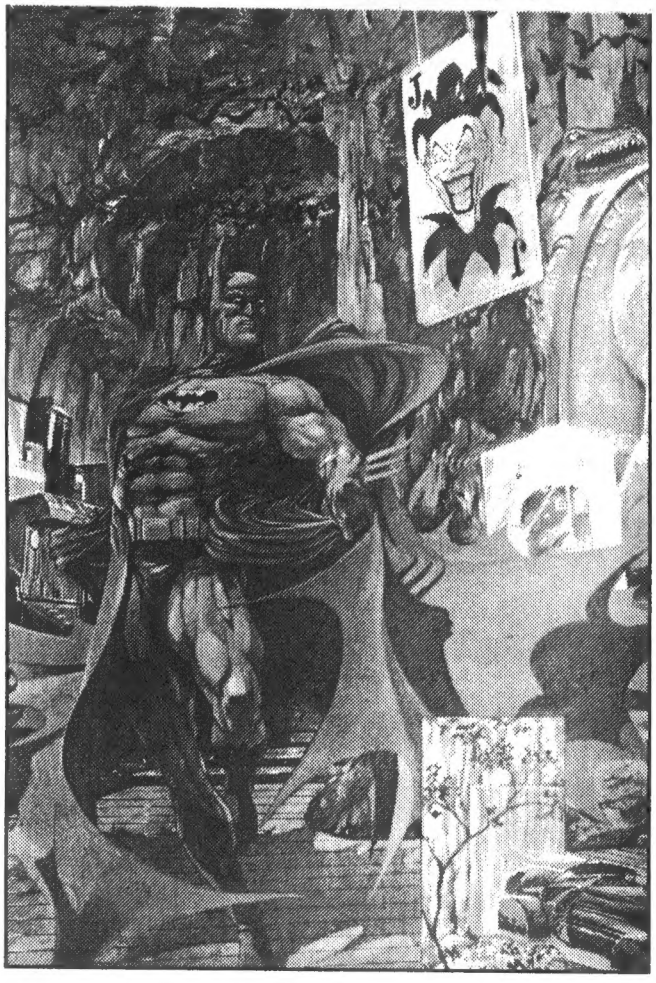
However, Bat-fans can breathe a sigh of relief that the Caped Crusader is not slated to appear in a new (and much delayed) DC title originally connected with the character: **The Outsiders** (by Barr & Pelletier + Campanella, $1.75, launching September 28).





Above from ***Superman: Speeding Bullets****; adopted by Thomas and Martha Wayne, young Kal-El wreaks revenge as the couple are gunned down. Top right: Mark Chiarello's painted art from* ***Batman & Houdini****. Right: Daerick Gross's cover for* ***Batman: Two-Face Strikes Twice****.*

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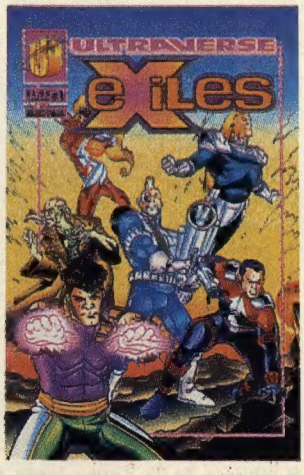
Gerber at Ultraverse



STEVE Gerber's first comic for the Malibu $1.95 *Ultraverse* line, drawn by Rob Phipps and Ken Branch, is the new group title, **Exiles**, described succinctly by Steve as "imagine if the *X-Men*'s powers were contagious".

Gerber's second title will be the October-launching **Sludge**, drawn by Aaron Lopresti and Gary Martin, which he refers to as a "*Punisher* who drips".

DC's Len Strazewski, responsible for *Ultraverse*'s **Prime**, is co-writing **Prototype** with Tom (**Dinosaurs for Hire**) Mason for artists David Ammerman and James Pascoe.

Both **Exiles** and **Prototype** first issues ship this month.

Silver Star revival

JACK Kirby's 6-issue 1983 Pacific Comics title **Silver Star** is to be relaunched as part of the Kirby revival.

Under the Topps Comics imprint, it will be a **$2.95 four-issue** mini-series launching in September. Written by **Kurt (She-Hulk) Busiek** and pencilled by **James (Moon Knight) Fry** it is inked by **Terry Austin**, and tells of the Kirby Universe's most powerful hero returning to work for the government, only to discover that it wants him to protect the world's most ruthless crime lord.

Ghost Rider spin-off

JOHN Blaze, the 1970s Marvel *Ghost Rider*, is to star in his own four-issue mini series — **Blaze**.

Shipping October 19th, priced $1.75 and written by *Midnight Sons* regular Howard Mackie with art by Ron Wagner, it investigates Blaze's new found powers and the abduction of his family by a major new villain.

Vortex series launched

FOLLOWING the 16-part $1.00 *Comics' Greatest World* series, Dark Horse has announced that the star of the final chapter, *Vortex*, is to receive his own mini-series.

With a prism-foil stamped logo, the $2.00 first issue ships in October, by creators Ostrander, Willis and Rubenstein.

Jurassic Park sequel

TOPPS Comics is to follow up the success of its **Jurassic Park** mini-series with a 2 issue sequel written by Steve Englehart and drawn by Michael Golden and Armando Gil.

Entitled **Raptor**, it tells of the vicious hunting dinosaurs the Velociraptors escaping from Jurassic Park, and leaving the owners of the Park with a dilemma: who can they get and how do they catch these nasty little dinosaurs?

Windsor-Smith at Malibu Ultraverse

EX-Valiant editorial head Barry Windsor-Smith is working on a eleven-part serial for Malibu.

Together with Malibu editor Chris Ulm, he will be producing *Rune* (visual below) as a back-up story to run across the October-shipping Utraverse titles.

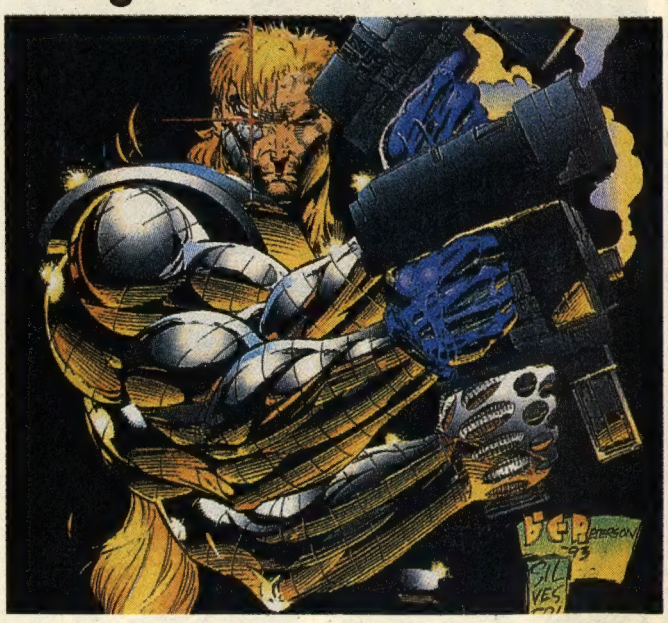
Rune is the story of a nigh-immortal energy vampire who has fed on those around himself for hundreds of years.

To accommodate *Rune*, the October Ultraverse titles have been increased to 40 pages each and will also feature a Windsor-Smith flip cover and coupons redeemable against **Rune #0**.

The eleven titles to include *Rune*, all priced at $2.50, are: **Exiles #3, Firearm #2, Freex #4, Hardcase #5, Mantra #4, The Night Man #1, Prime #5, Prototype #3, Sludge #1, The Solution #2** and **Strangers #5**.

*MALIBU's **Dinosaurs for Hire** series could prove to be the sleeper title of the year thanks to an animated TV series in production, a Sega-Genesis computer game and the omni-popular dinosaur theme. The $1.95 series regularly spoofs the comics industry and becomes part of the company's inter-title crossover with the September **Ex-Mutants** and **The Protectors** series.*

Image builds on core titles



CODENAME: Stykeforce, starring the leader of **Cyberforce**, begins Image's title consolidation.

With the decision made to return to basics, Image has dropped its second year projects with the exception of the low-selling **1963**. In their stead, it is expanding on its initial core-group of titles from the eight original creators.

As well as **Codename: Strykeforce**, eight other books are set to launch by October, including Silvestri's **Cyberforce**, Larson's **SuperPatriot** and **Vanguard**, Liefeld's **Prophet, Extreme** and **Team Youngblood**, Jim Lee's **WildC.A.T.S.** and **Art of Homage Studios**, and Jim Valentino's **Images of Shadowhawk**.

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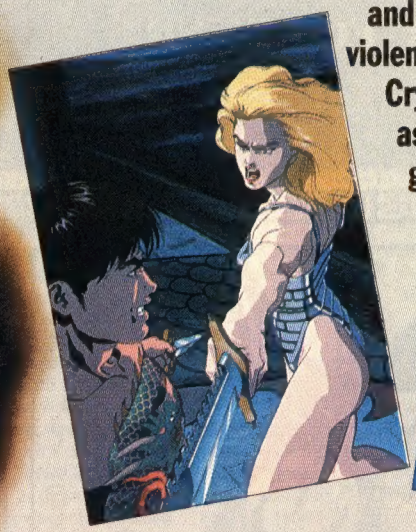

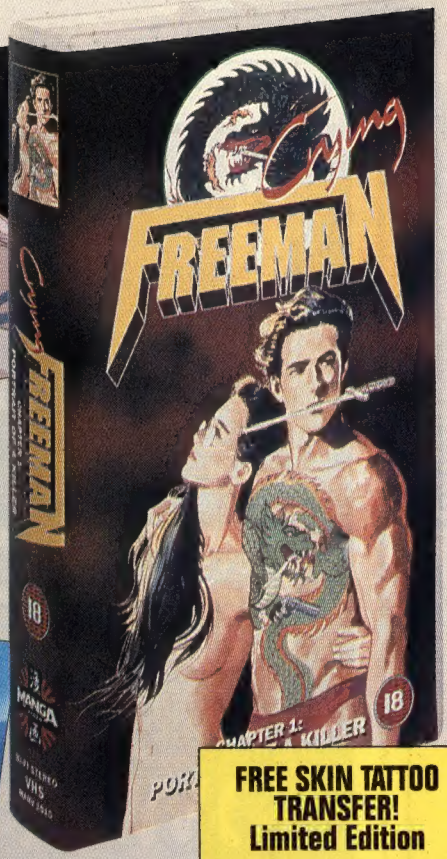

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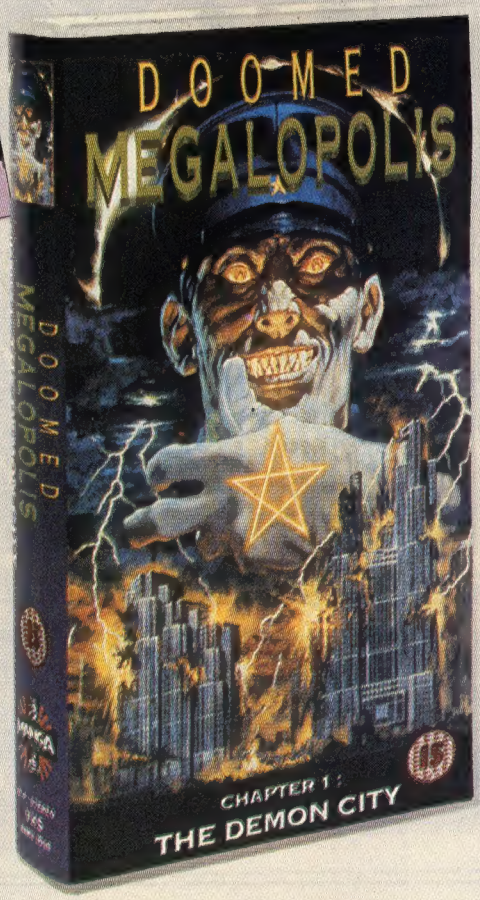

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Carlos Ezquerra to draw for DC

AS WELL as his regular **2000AD** work, **Judge Dredd** co-creator Carlos Sanchez Ezquerra has finally taken the leap over to American comics, to draw a new DC four-issue mini-series **Bill the Galactic Bum**.

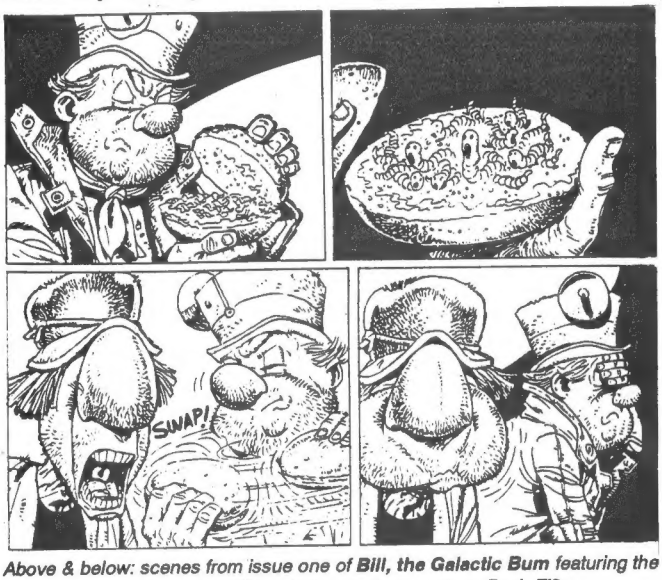
While his writing partners Alan Grant and John Wagner made the transition from British to American comics years ago, Andorra-based Carlos Ezquerra has previously seen his artwork in America only in poor quality reprints of **2000AD**.

Continuing to explore different genres, DC is following the success of **Lobo** with another science fiction title, as **Lobo** and **Batman** writer Alan Grant teams with his old colleagues John Wagner and Carlos Ezquerra to produce a 32 page new format monthly set to commence in Spring 1994.

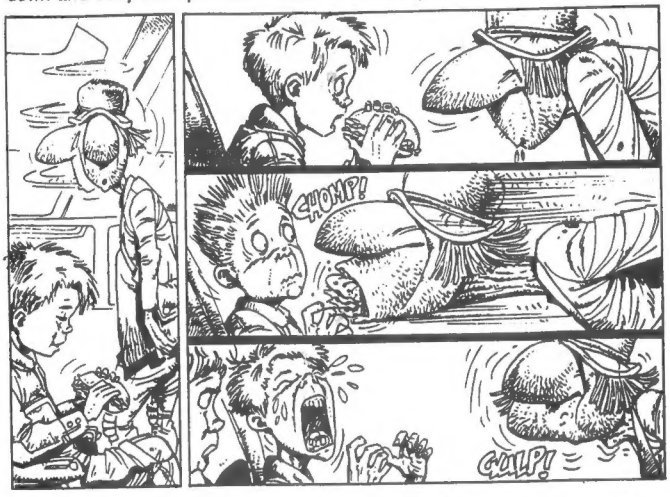
Bob takes a humorous look at the DC Universe through the eyes of a W.C. Fields-like loquacious philosopher and his silent but nasally-gifted partner, as they panhandle their way across the cosmos.

With Lobo, L.E.G.I.O.N's Stealth and a band of deranged Khund assassins in pursuit, Bob and Buck wander blithely through absolute carnage looking for a meal ticket.

In addition, each issue will contain pages from *Bob's Galactic Handbook*, covering such topics as "Trash Cans I Have Known", "Smelling for Fun and Profit" and "Observations on Conning a Sargassan".



Above & below: scenes from issue one of ***Bill, the Galactic Bum*** *featuring the down-and-out philosopher Bill and his voracious partner, Buck Fifty.*



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Masterpieces II

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All cards will have two colour foil stamping, and 8 randomly inserted spectra-etched combat cards. Due in September, each pack includes 14 cards and a box holds 36 packs.

Perez at Malibu

IT HAS been announced that George Perez is to work on bookend titles for Malibu's Ultraverse crossover, shipping in December.

West Coasters end

AVENGERS West Coast is to finish its run with issue 102. But it is to be replaced by a new book featuring the majority of the group's existing roster of characters, after the West coast team is disbanded by its East coast counterparts.

The new team book, **Force Works**, will appear in December written by Britain's Dan Abnett and Andy Lanning and drawn by new Marvel artist Tom Tenney.

With the comic industry policy of using combinations of existing titles how long before we see *X-Wets* and *Cyber-Men*?

New Harris launch

VAMPIRELLA publisher Harris Comics has a new monthly title, **Q-Unit**, launching in September. By Karl Altstaetter and Robert Napton, it is an Image-style team book combining action and adventure with a splattering of cyberpunk.

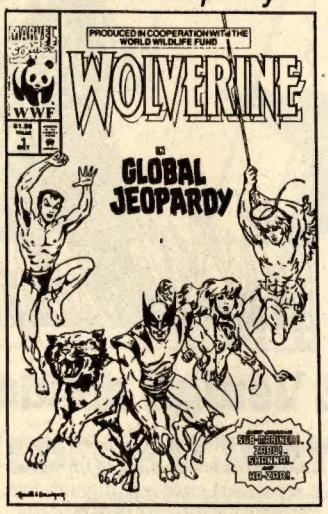
Former Homage studio's staffer Altstaetter will write and pencil the series with inks supplied by former Japanimation worker Napton.

Shipping September 21st it is priced $2.95 and comes with the first section of a semi-transparent multi-layered trading card, which when placed on top of each other create a special card.

Great greenies

The Image/Mirage **Savage Dragon/Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles** cross company two part story concludes in the Mirage published **TMNT/Savage Dragon Cross-Over Special #1** concluding the story which began in **Savage Dragon 2**. Erik Larsen's contribution this time around is the inks on the cover. Shipping in October, priced $2.50 the main story is written and drawn by Michael Rooney and inked by Robert Jones.

Global Jeopardy



Wolverine in Global Jeopardy is a special comic produced in association with the World Wildlife Fund. The 32 page one-shot is split into two sections. The first 16 pages will have Wolverine, Prince Namor, Ka-Zar and Shanna fighting against water pollution, animal poaching and environmental despot the Conservator. The comic section is written by Peter David and drawn by Richard Howell.

The second half will have features on wildlife photography, endangered species and educational games.

The comic is dedicated to the memory of Carol Kalish, Marvel's former Director of Direct sales who died in 1991. 10% of the $2.95 cover price of the October 5th shipping title will go to the World Wildlife fund.

Antarctic manga

A NEW English language Japanese manga is being published by Antarctic Press. Priced $2.50, **Mighty Bombshells** features the work of Ishika.

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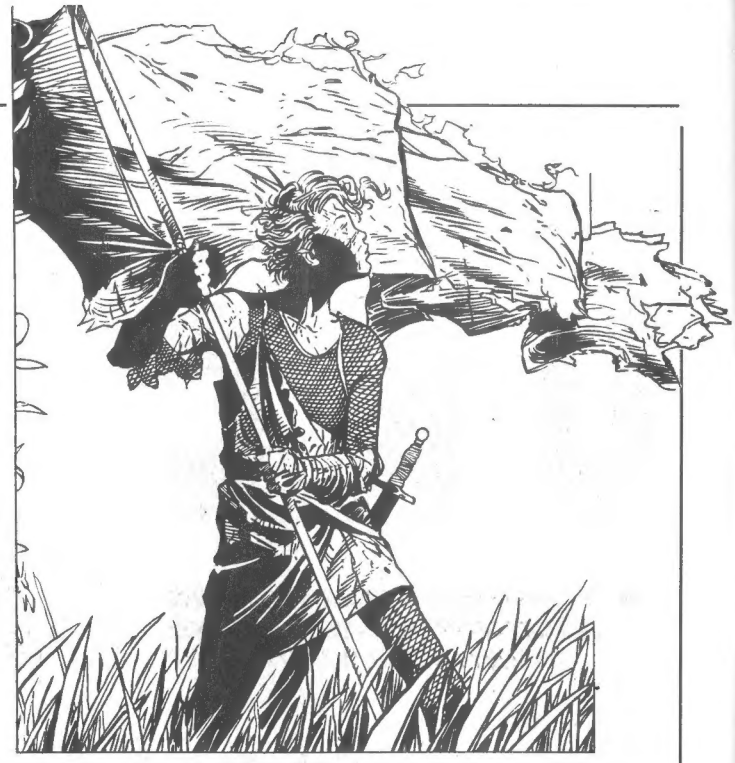
*LOBO finally graduates beyond one-shots and mini-series to his own continuing monthly this November. **Lobo** (without the mature readers label) will be written by Alan Grant and drawn by Val Semeiks and John Dell. Priced $2.95, the November 9 shipping first issue features a foil-embossed "zipper" image on the cover. Subsequent issues will be priced $1.75*



Peter David takes the plunge

LEADING Marvel contributor Peter David **(Incredible Hulk, X-Factor)** is writing a 4-issue mini-series for one of DC Comics longest-established characters, **Aquaman: Time & Tide.**

In the tradition of the successful **Man of Steel, Batman Year One** and **Green Lantern: Emerald Dawn** minis, **Aquaman: Time & Tide** revisits the origin and early career of the sea king, while establishing his direction for the more demanding '90s comic reader.

The first issue features Aquaman's first encounter with surface world paranormals as he encounters the original Flash (Barry Allen) in pursuit of The Trickster, following a robbery at sea.

Following issues delve into the background and origin of Aquaman, including what happened the first time he used his powers, the story of his first love, and his first meeting with his evil brother, Orm the Oceanmaster.

The mini-series, cover priced $1.50, begins on November 2nd, and leads directly into a continuing series, **Aquaman**.

Kirk Jarvinen and Brad Vancata supply artwork for the mini-series and are also scheduled to work with Peter David on the follow-up continuing series.

Vertigo annuals in story arc

FOLLOWING the success of its mature reader line, DC is unveiling a seven-part crossover through five Vertigo annuals and two "bookend" specials.

It begins in **The Children's Crusade** 1 by Neil Gaiman and **Shade's** Chris Bachalo and continues through five annuals: **Black Orchid Annual 1, Animal Man Annual 1, Swamp Thing Annual 7,** and **Doom Patrol Annual 1.**

Tied in with the storyline, Tim Hunter, the young mage introduced in **Books of Magic**, will star in a fore-runner to his regular title in **Arcana Annual 1**. The series ends with **The Children's Crusade** 2.

The plot tells of Rowland and Paine, the two dead boy-detectives introduced in **Sandman 25**, discovering the existence of Free Country, a strange and magical place reserved only for children who have escaped, or have been saved from the "real" world.

The children featured in the monthly Vertigo titles join together to stop the mysterious plans of the ruling inhabitants of Free Country, but this results in the life of one of the children being changed forever.

The Children's Crusade 1 ships on October 19th, is priced at $3.95 and features a metallic fifth cover ink. The Vertigo annuals follow on a weekly basis.

Conan the Barbarian cancelled

CONAN the Barbarian is to cease publication with issue 275, exactly 23 years since it was launched by Marvel Comics in October 1970.

Robert E. Howard's 1930s pulp character regained popularity in the 1960s through the series of reprint Lancer paperbacks with strking cover paintings by Frank Frazetta. These led to new books being written by contemporary authors, and Roy Thomas approaching Stan Lee with the idea of Marvel licensing comic book rights.

Being a departure from the company's standard super-hero fare, a young London artist called Barry Smith was assigned to the comic. The 24-issue tenure allowed Smith to develop his style, and take his influences beyond the company-imposed Kirby-look into pre-Raphaelite territory.

Smith was followed by quintessential Conan artist John Buscema, but eventually the popularity of sword & sorcery slid after the Arnold Schwarzeneggar movies *Conan the Barbarian* and *Conan the Destroyer* and their host of imitators.

Roy Thomas did come back to writing the comic two years ago, but even his return proved unable to lift sales high enough to avoid cancellation.

Marvel's two black and white Conan magazines, **Conan Saga**, a reprint title and **Savage Sword of Conan** are not said to be affected by the cancellation of the colour comic.

Conan the Barbarian 275, the final issue, will ship on October 19th and feature the work of both Roy Thomas and John Buscema who have produced more than half of the barbarian's monthly adventures between them.

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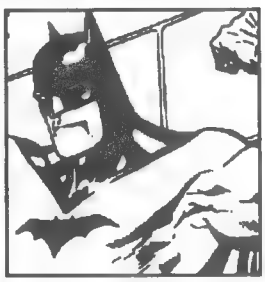

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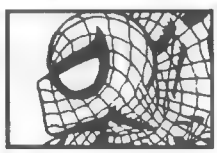

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Marvel UK add new theme titles

CURRENTLY one of the biggest producers of comics for America, London-based Marvel UK is set to add another line of self-contained title groups to its growing list of titles, *Red Mist*.

Death Duty, the only ongoing title in the new group, is being created by Simon (*Wild Thing*) Jowett and Alan (*Toxic*) Cowsill with art by Andrew Currie. The story tells of a group of dead American S.H.I.E.L.D operatives who are resurrected to deal with

"very messy situations."

The storyline crosses over into the two companion titles **'Roidrage** and **Bloodrush** which are four issue mini-series. **'Roidrage** is written by **Death Duty** co-writer Alan Cowsill and pencilled by **Super Soldiers** artist Andrew Currie, who also pencils the third title **Bloodrush**, which is written by Simon Jowett.

The linking theme, *Red Mist*, is a mutated super-soldier serum and all three books deal with different agencies attempts to possess it. All three first issues will come poly-bagged with three trading cards, which when put placed together form one large scene. The titles begin shipping on October 5th.

Marvel UK also has another new mini series set to debut in October: **Death Metal vs Genetix** by Simon (Alpha Flight) Furman and new talent Paco Diaz, tells of how *Death Metal* attempts to create his own murderer. Priced $1.75 it ships in October.

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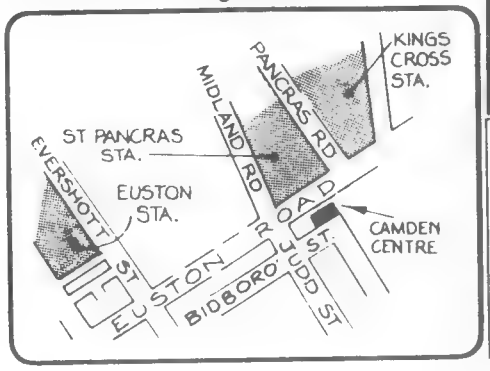

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PROVING he would make an excellent choice for the King Feature Syndicate-owned **Daily Mirror** adventure strip *Garth*, Alan Davis contributes the above visual (part only shown) to **The Gopherville Argus Special Edition** 1.

Celebrating fifty years of Garth, the magazine has grown from a 48 page edition to a 64 page labour of love for editor Bill Storie, who produces the quarterly **Gopherville Argus** for followers of the newspaper strip.

As well as Alan Davis's contribution, artwork also appears from Arthur Ranson, Mike Noble, Jim Baikie, Phil Elliott and many more. Additionally, the magazine features articles on the character's background as well as personal reminiscences.

Dino-Buster

FLEETWAY humour comic **Buster** is jumping unashamedly on the **Jurassic Park** bandwagon this summer.

From the 11th September dated issue, **Buster** will be giving away a different dinosaur button badge for four weeks. Even some of the characters are getting up to prehistoric pranks, with Tom Thug causing mischief with a mammoth in the September 25th issue.

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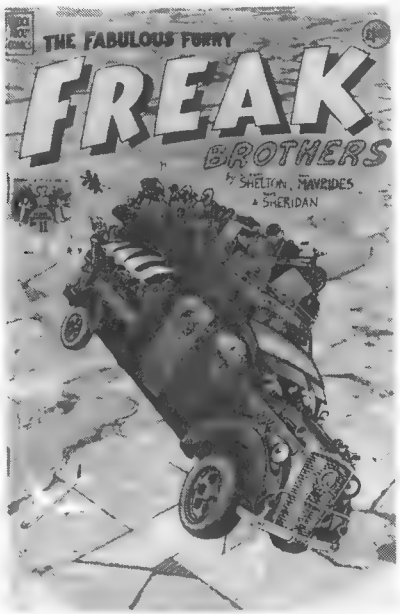

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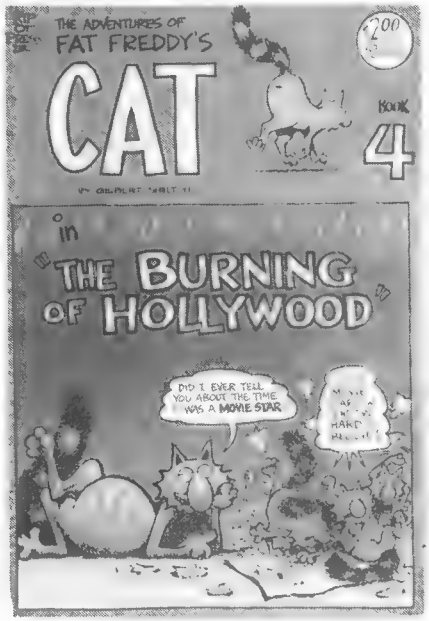

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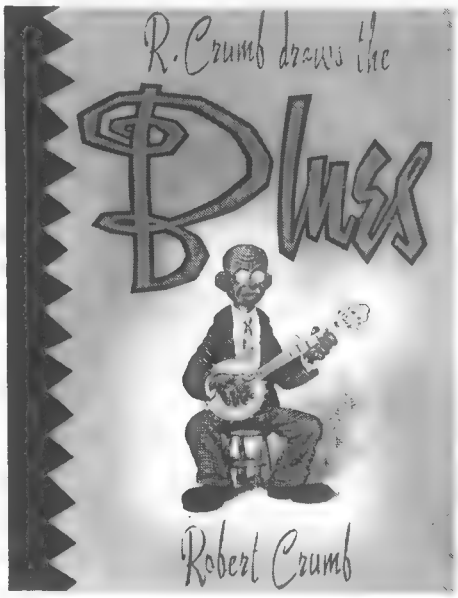

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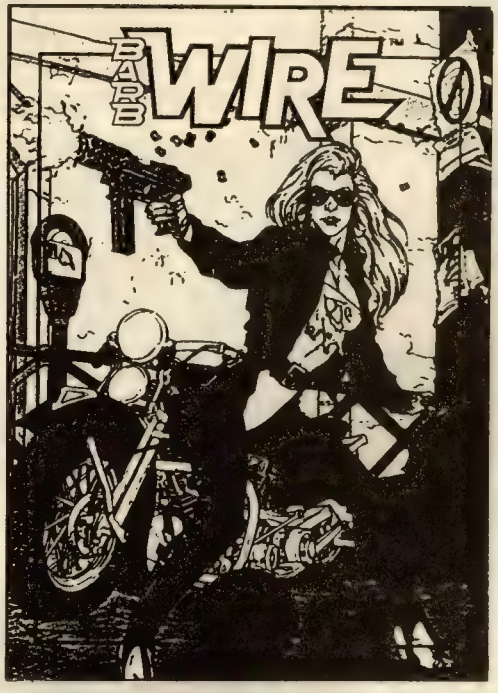

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Homer away

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Featuring a full colour wraparound cover, this 40 page black and white first issue is priced £1.95/$2.95.

Mindbending bi-monthly

TO REACH a wider audience, the expensive **Mindbenders** graphic novel is having two of its most popular stories repackaged as bi-monthly comics.

The Last Planet (art above) by **2000AD**'s Dave Pugh and **Freddie's Last Dance** by Fleetway veteran Eric Bradbury will be launched as 32 page titles, beginning by reprinting the stories from the graphic novel for new readers. The first 500 copies of each title will be signed by the artists.

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WHAT WHERE'D YOU COME FROM?
WHY, THE SHADOWS OF COURSE!

*Above: artwork from **Gladiators Comic Strip Adventures**. On sale September 9th, this new 24 page 90p fortnightly features the stars of LWT's Saturday night action game, but with a difference. In the all-new full-colour strip, writer Kev (UT) Sutherland has turned the fourteen musclebound hunks into full-fledged all-powered-up superheroes, pitting them against an array of cosmic supervillains.*

The series opens with the dramatic Death of a Gladiator, neatly polishing off one of the TV cast whose contract for the new series has not been renewed. But which one? Published by Century 22, it boasts a 19 page strip every issue, behind painted covers by Mick Austin, Mark Buckingham and other top artists plus double-sided giant-sized posters, fact files, competitions and more.

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Harry Lazarus, 119 Bertram Road, Enfield EN1

Q: Who were Thorpe and Porter? Did the name actually relate to real people?

A: *It most certainly did. David Thorpe and John Porter's Leicester-based company specialised initially in reprinting American comics in black and white during the 1950s when importing the real McCoy was frowned upon. With so much spare paper, printers were turning into publishers, grabbing the rights to American material and producing cheap black and white reprints. If they couldn't afford American material, new UK-drawn imitations would often suffice.*

But Thorpe & Porter, whose late 1950s "big 68 pages - don't take less" reprints included such DC gems as ***The Flash, Blackhawk, Tomahawk and Mr D.A.*** *evolved beyond such rivals as Alan* ***(Creepy Worlds)*** *Class and Len* ***(Marvelman)*** *Miller when they acquired the rights to produce British editions of* ***MAD Magazine*** *and* ***Classics Illustrated****.*

Thorpe and Porter (whose symbol was an indian wigwam with a TP - teepee - symbol) then made the biggest breakthrough in acquiring the rights to import and distribute US colour comics (beginning with November 1959 cover dates). To this day, the company (now Portman Distribution) continues to import the full DC line.

Roger Newson, 32 Rosemary Avenue, Felixstowe, Suffolk

Q: For several years, I have been trying to obtain a copy of **Doc Savage Poster Magazine** (UK; Sci-Fi Series No 1; 1975/76; film tie-in). I should be most grateful for any help you can give me in locating this item.

A: *A classic example of how licensing can go wrong, the* ***Doc Savage Poster Mag*** *was conceived by our very own editor Dez Skinn to tie-in with the inevitable success of the George Pal/Ron Ely movie. The film was a disaster, so the magazine did little better. It was part of a series which included poster mags on* ***Planet of the Apes, $6m Man*** *and* ***Doctor Who*** *and the series title* ***Monster Mag****. If anybody has a copy of the* ***Doc Savage*** *one, send it to Roger at the above address, but please - not courtesy of Dez Skinn!*

Larry Peasley 1535 Shady Glen Avenue, Santa Clara, California

Q: I have been a **Blackhawk** fan and collector for forty years and have recently discovered that there was a British **Blackhawk** series. Can you tell me anything about these comics?

A: *The third Thorpe & Porter question (as they, for the Williams-Warner Bros publishers, also distributed those dreaded poster mags). As well as the mid to late 1950s T&P editions reprinting US stories from issues around 120-135, TV Boardman produced a slimmer 16 page two-colour self-cover version in the early 1950s. A strange animal, they did away both with the glossy covers and their art. Instead the covers were the US splash pages!*

Closet comic fan, 19 Melbourne Rd, Ipswich

Q: What is Bill Sienkiewicz up to these days?

A: *It seems that Bill has followed Brian Bolland's path of just doing covers for comics. His last comics work to date was* ***Inner Fury****: a Wolverine bookshelf comic.*

Q: I've heard that distributors charge up to 60% of the cover price on comics. Is this true and how is it justified? British comics don't need to be airfreighted over.

A: *It's nothing to do with air-freighting, although if they stopped using such a speedy service someone else would start and get the drop on them. It may have more to do with publishers taking up to 55% of the cover price from distributors to cover their own costs!*

Q: Hardly any of Atomeka's colour titles have appeared, which suggests a problem in production. Isn't it time we were told what's going on?

A: *Atomeka has been going through a major reshuffle lately, with Tundra (US) having been absorbed into Kitchen Sink. Publisher Dave Elliott now intends to concentrate on a solid 5-6 monthly title base rather than too ambitious a line-up. Expect announcements of the 1994 range soon.*

Dave Vanner, 1 Peppercorn Way, East Hunsbury, Northampton

Q: I've recently discovered Paul Chadwick's excellent **Concrete.** Can you print a **Concrete** chronology and advise me of the approximate cost of collecting the set?

A: ***Concrete****'s first appearance was in* ***Dark Horse Presents*** *1 from July 1986, the character went on to appear in:* ***Dark Horse Presents*** *1-6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 28, 32, 38, 66;* ***Dark Horse Presents 5th Anniversary Special****;* ***Concrete*** *1-10 and* ***Colour Special****;* ***Concrete Celebrates Earth Day;*** ***Within Our Reach*** *(a Star*Reach AIDS awareness comic);* ***Fragile Creature*** *1-4;* ***A New Life;*** ***Odd Jobs*** *— two reprint albums with new pages;* ***Land & Sea*** *— reprint volume; the new two-part series which was to have appeared in April, but has been delayed* ***Concrete: Eclectica****.*

Because the prices of ***Concrete*** *appearances vary from dealer to dealer and country to country, expect to pay in the region of £75 for the 42 appearances.*

Q: Can you give me some information on **Omaha the Cat Dancer**?

A: *Omaha first appeared in* ***Bizarre Sex*** *9 by Reed Waller and Kate Worley in 1981.* ***Omaha the Cat Dancer*** *then gained her own Steeldragon Press title, before Kitchen Sink started publishing it in June 1986.*

She has appeared in cameo roles in various other comics from other publishers at one time or another, but most notably in ***Munden's Bar Annual*** *2 from First Comics in May 1991.*

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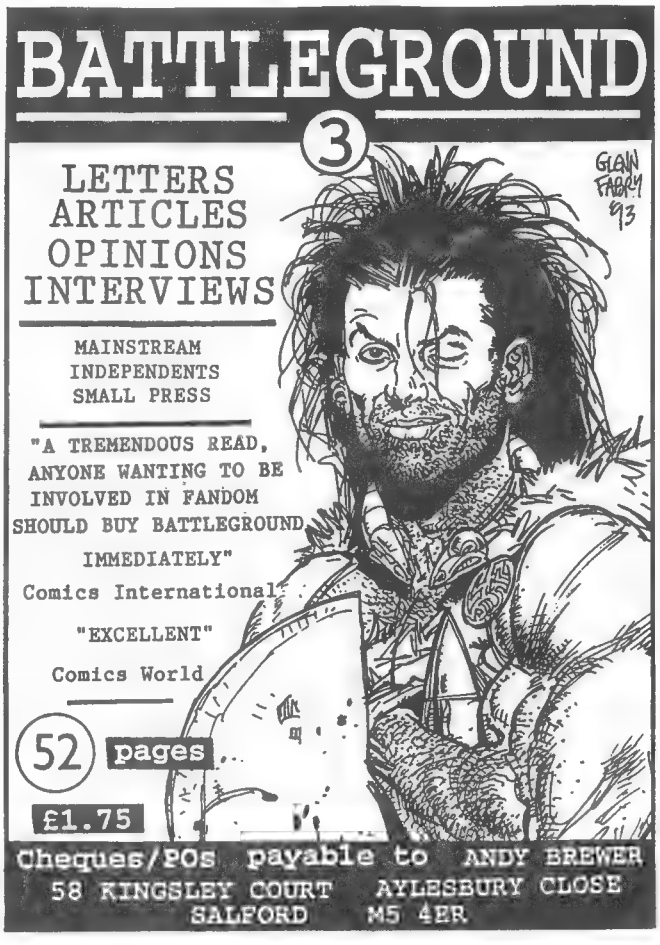

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Associate editor Sarah Bolesworth looks at recent media coverage of comics and related product

TOP-RATING police series *The Bill* focused on comics for one of its primetime slots this month.

The episode transmitted on Saturday 31st July featured a lead story about the theft of £3,000 worth of comics — and it would have been seen by around 13 million television viewers.

Researchers and script-writers made a positive attempt to give the lie to the usual sad cliches about the medium and its fans.

The victim was a Bright Young Thing who would in the '80s have been called a yuppie. His most significant comment — and there weren't many of them — was indicative of the tone of the story as a whole.

Responding to a "Wot, you read comics, then?" from the intellectually challenged PC in attendance, the rather priggish fan said, "we're not all anoraks, you know". Point number one.

Assessing the value of the stolen comics, CID officers were shown *using a comics price guide* (!), clearly recognisable as that compiled by Duncan "Bat-head" McAlpine. Duncan, of course is known to have a few friends in telly, although he denied any involvement when questioned on the matter...

As for the thief, when his identity was established (a little poetic licence, there), the CID schlepped round to his flat to nick him, only to find his girlfriend getting rid of the evidence by throwing the comics off the 3rd-floor balcony.

While young comics speculators (who just happened to be passing) eagerly gathered the fallen booty, the worthy DC Lines protested, "Those comics are worth £3,00, and she's just throwing them away like confetti!".

The grand finale came as the recognised Hitler youth among the PCs opened the door to a CID office full of DCs reading DCs and said, "Got any Silver Surfer there?". A moment to savour.

For comics, this intelligent and humorous outing did more to engage the Great British Public (typically slumped in front of the TV; 8 o'clock on a Saturday night) than any amount of anodyne documentaries. And the same goes for Duncan's guide, too.

X = high ratings³

Fox-TV's *X-Men Adventures*, the ratings-topping animated series is to be transmitted on BSkyB in the autumn of this year.

In UK, *X-Men Adventures* is likely to be broadcast on Nickelodeon, the family channel scheduled to begin transmission on September 1st 1993.

The animated series is part of a Sky US-acquisition package said by BSkyB chief David Elstein to be its "most ambitious and costly package yet".

Rupert Murdoch's Fox Television, which commissioned the first 26-issue series from Marvel Films, shot to the top of the competitive, lucrative Saturday-morning TV charts with *X-Men Adventures*.

But with the advent of auto-animation (see *Mediafile* #33) the origination costs for future comics adaptations will decrease. With the huge archive of comics available to a multi-media cartel like Time-Warner, animated adaptations could move very quickly into the mainstream film arena, attracting the fickle 16-24 age group that Hollywood religiously pursues.

By the celluloid shorts?

James Cameron's *Spider-Man* film may be hurt by recent changes in the financing of the director's deal with 20th Century Fox distributors. Cameron has been "forced to alter the scope and structure of his highly-publicised 12-picture $500 million distribution deal" (**The Hollywood Reporter**, 20.7.93).

Batman: The Animated Movie, to be released in the US on December 17th, will feature the voice of that well-known anglophile, Stacy Keach.

Kyle MacLachlan (*Blue Velvet*, *Twin Peaks*) will appear in Amberlin's film, *The Flintstones*, now in production.

Robin Williams is to play the Riddler in the new live-action *Batman*, directed by Joel Schumaker.

Lois & Clark: The New Adventures of Superman is a new animated series being produced for the ABC network.

Sunbow Productions are making a *Conan the Adventurer* animated series, the advent of which may not be unconnected with Marvel Comics' decision to cease publication of its **Conan the Barbarian** title.

The successful *Dennis the Menace* feature film has prompted CBS's production of the animated *Dennis the Menace* series. The film, still at number 10 in the US box-office charts, will be released in the UK on August 7th.

Cream! Topped off

In the same month that **Jackie** officially folded, a new photo-strip anthology was launched on the overstuffed magazine market.

Time Out, the London listings weekly, was generous enough to give publicity to **Cream!** which has, allegedly, been universally judged to be "post-**VIZ** crap".

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COMICWATCH

Answering the demand for investment news on 'hot' titles, ComicWatch details the current average selling price of high demand comics which have recently increased or fallen in value. Compiled by Phil Hall

The **Comic Book Price Guide for Great Britain** produces a comprehensive annual overview and forthcoming update of UK values for US comics, while the various American guide magazines detail US values for American buyers.

Because of their frequency or country of origin, guides and updates are unable to reflect how this can instantly affect UK prices, and even the better established US guides are invariably in disagreement with each other.

By taking average values based on the actual current month's selling prices from comic shops and mail order companies throughout Britain, **Comics International** produces *ComicWatch* as a consumer aid to help follow the dramatic changes in 'hot' popular comics every month.

When using the *ComicWatch* statistics, please bear in mind the following points.

- The *average* values are taken from actual selling prices of twenty shop and mail order retailers. These are spread across Britain to avoid any regional bias.
- Prices stated are for top grade, near mint copies. Average percentages for lower grades (based on the response to our retail questionnaire) are:
  VF = 75%; FN = 60%; VG = 45%; G = 25%; Fair = 15%; Poor (but complete) = 7.5%
- The Dealer Price Range is included to show how prices can fluctuate greatly, being based on retail overheads, location, supply levels and buying-in prices.

REMEMBER: The following are based on selling prices provided last month.

PREMIUM AND SPECIAL EDITIONS

One of the major additions for comic book collectors over the last two years is the introduction of low print run premium editions. The first was the platinum edition of **Spider-Man #1** which, despite being a free gift to retailers, rocketed to a value peaking at £600 within three months. Though the book then dropped to less than half of its peak price, it began a trend which continues to escalate.

Publishers now use variant editions (with enhanced cover production, such as metallic inks) to increase sales by offering them as free gifts to retailers who order large quantities of regular editions.

Having no cost price to the trade, selling prices vary immensely. *ComicWatch* conducted a survey, asking retailers for their current selling price of a range of premium books...

TITLE, ISSUE & VARIANT/PREMIUM DETAILS	*average value*	*Dealer price range*
DEATH: THE HIGH COST OF LIVING		
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#0 store version	36.00	30.00-40.00
#21 Premium gold embossed	40.00	35.00-75.00
UNITY		
#0 red edition	63.50	45.00-75.00
#1 gold edition	50.80	40.00-70.00
#1 platinum, 5000 print run	85.00	40.00-85.00
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#15 Ultra-Pro pink edition	18.50	12.95-27.50
DARK HORSE PRESENTS		
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WILDC.A.T.S		
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On the summer's comics explosion

ComicWatch asked retailers for their opinions in general about the spate of new comics universes and "family" groups of titles being launched this summer. Are they proving to be good or bad for business?

ACE Comics' *Martin Beeson:* "Valiant and Image combine the two hot companies that the younger readers are very keen on."

Arcadia's *Ron Castree:* "Most customers simply cannot afford to buy everything that comes out."

Avalon's *Mark Perry:* "We have high hopes for the Valiant/Image crossover."

Beyond Comics and Books': "60% of my customers have asked about Defiant comics."

Bookscene's *Tom Sheridan:* "Spider-Man is so popular at the moment."

Comics Unlimited's *Warren Gillham:* "Dark Horse are widely respected, this will encourage readers for Comics' Greatest World."

Demon Comics' *Paul Bentley:* "Atomeka and Bisley will do well."

Dynamic Comics' *John Newton:* "Too hard to predict with so much new stuff around."

Edge of Forever's *Mike Conroy:* "Deathmate will be a major hit only if the series ships on time."

Imagination Station's *Tommy Hoodless:* "Reign of the Supermen — just great storytelling."

Negative Zone's *Terry Gay:* "Put Valiant at the top where they belong."

Nu-Earth's *Mike Read:* "Ultraverse & World's Greatest Comics — customers will want to collect them all."

Paperback Reader's *Barry Spray:* "In the glut age, as 1993 could well be subtitled, only the strong will remain."

Red Hot Comics' *Ivor Davies:* "Defiant will be hot with readers, especially those who switched on to early Valiant."

Skinny Melink: "Defiant, because of Jim Shooter's proven track record is sure to work."

Talisman's *John McMahon:* "New universes go well to begin with, when big names are attached."

Time Zone: "The best thing that happened in Reign of the Supermen was Superman's death."

Whatever's *Maney Amario:* "Most of the new titles have been overlooked in favour of titles that have history."

We would like to thank the following shops for participating in ComicWatch: *Ace Comics, Arcadia, Avalon, Beyond Comics and Books, Bookscene, Comics Unlimited, Demon Comics, Dynamic Comics, Edge of Forever, Forest Comics, Imagination Station, Just Comics, Negative Zone, Nu-Earth, Paperback Reader, Red Hot Comics, Skinny Melink, Talisman, Time Zone* and *Whatever Comics.*

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On summer's new titles:

Possibly more than ever before, 1993 has been the year many new comic titles and universes have been launched. Following our last report on new product (**Comics International 27**) *ComicWatch* has again asked a selection of retailers how the latest wave is performing, using the following generalisations:

X = excellent v = very good g = good
f = fair p = poor a = abysmal

To bring them into order, the results have been scored from 10 points for excellent, 4 for very good, 3 for good, 2 for fair, 1 for poor, and no marks for abysmal. The following ranks them in order of retail popularity, scoring out of a possible 190 maximum.

			Number of shops voting in each category					
			x	*v*	*g*	*f*	*p*	*a*
1	*(152)*	*Reign of the Supermen (DC)*	*13*	*4*	*2*	*-*	*-*	*-*
2	*(141)*	*Deathmate (Image/Valiant)*	*11*	*7*	*1*	*-*	*-*	*-*
3	*(103)*	*Total Carnage (Marvel)*	*6*	*8*	*2*	*2*	*1*	*-*
4	*(82)*	*Defiant Comics Universe*	*3*	*6*	*8*	*2*	*-*	*-*
5=	*(73)*	*Comic's Greatest World (DH)*	*2*	*6*	*7*	*4*	*-*	*-*
	(73)	*Bloodlines (DC)*	*2*	*7*	*5*	*5*	*-*	*-*
7	*(61)*	*Midnight Massacre (Marvel)*	*2*	*3*	*5*	*7*	*-*	*2*
8	*(54)*	*1963 (Image)*	*1*	*3*	*7*	*3*	*5*	*-*
9	*(47)*	*Monster Massacre (Atomeka)*	*1*	*4*	*4*	*3*	*5*	*2*
10	*(42)*	*Ultraverse (Malibu)*	*1*	*2*	*3*	*5*	*5*	*3*
11	*(37)*	*Trinity (DC)*	*-*	*1*	*5*	*7*	*4*	*2*
12	*(32)*	*Razorline (Epic)*	*-*	*1*	*4*	*5*	*6*	*3*
13	*(26)*	*Deathwatch 2000 (Cont)*	*-*	*1*	*3*	*4*	*5*	*6*
14	*(25)*	*Frontier (Marvel UK)*	*-*	*-*	*2*	*7*	*5*	*5*
15	*(24)*	*Genepool (Marvel UK)*	*-*	*-*	*3*	*5*	*5*	*6*
16	*(23)*	*Kirby's Secret City (Topps)*	*-*	*-*	*2*	*6*	*7*	*4*
17	*(22)*	*Protectors Universe (Malibu)*	*-*	*1*	*-*	*5*	*8*	*5*
and the wooden spoon award to:								
18	*(11)*	*Heavy Hitters (Epic)*	*-*	*-*	*-*	*2*	*7*	*10*

ComicWatch asked retailers: *how do the new titles affect sales on existing comics? 11% said sales were up. 61% said sales were down and 28% said sales had remained unchanged.*

ComicWatch asked retailers: how have the new launches affected total turnover of your business? 50% said sales were up and 50%'said sales were unchanged.

While the record industry uses only an infinitesimal percentage of retail outlets in gauging its charts, the ComicWatch table represents approximately 10% of the UK's entire specialist retail trade, so when looking for *hot* titles, the above should give a good indication.

But bear in mind that retailers were not asked to judge on specific criteria, price, quality or quantity, merely their "opinions".

Nevertheless, looking at the large number of poor scoring titles begs many a question about why some were ever launched. Unless the direct sale pre-ordering system is such that publishers cannot lose money, *why do they release so many comics?*

Do they believe there is a market for such a flood of new books? Did they seriously examine most of the comics listed in our chart and believe the market would carry them? Is any kind of test done, or is it really as haphazard as throwing mud at the wall and hoping something will stick?

But worst of all, imagine being a retailer facing a list of new titles and having to base your first three issue orders on little more than a synopsis, creator credits and maybe a cover illustration the size of a matchbox.

Comments from some of the retailers' customers together with questions posed to retailers on their general feelings towards the above titles, will be answered in the next *ComicWatch*.

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COMICS ECONOMICS

The direct sale market now represents over 85% of US comics publishers sales revenue. The following shows the top 50 titles ordered through the leading UK & US direct sales distributors. As such it does not reflect retail sales, but instead total orders placed by traders anticipating their retail sales three months ahead.

Titan Distributors (UK) Top 50 Titles

1	X-Men 25 ($3.50)	Marvel
2	Batman 500 ($3.95 edition)	DC
3	X-Men 2099 #1 ($1.75)	Marvel
4	Uncanny X-Men 305 ($1.25)	Marvel
5	Superman 82 ($3.50 edition)	DC
6	X-Force 27 ($1.25)	Marvel
7	Adventures of Superman 505 ($2.50 edition)	DC
8	X-Men Annual 2 ($2.95)	Marvel
9	X-Factor 95 ($1.25)	Marvel
10	Sandman 54 ($1.95)	DC
11	Daredevil: Man without Fear 1	Marvel
12	X-Force Annual 2	Marvel
13	Deathmate Epilogue	Image
14	Detective Comics 667	DC
15	WildC.A.T.S Trilogy 3	Image
16	Strykefile 1	Image
17	Spider-Man 2099 #12	Marvel
18	Darker Image 4	Image
19	Cable 6	Marvel
20	Deathblow 4	Image
21	Batman: Shadow of the Bat 19	DC
22	Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight 53	DC
23	Action Comics 692	DC
24	Wolverine 74	Marvel
25	Maxx 6	Image
26	Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight 52	DC
27	WildC.A.T.S Yearbook 1	Image
28	Amazing Spider-Man 382	Marvel
29	Hellblazer 70	DC
30	Gen-X 1	Image
31	Sabretooth 3	Marvel
32	Batman: Shadow of the Bat 18	DC
33	Excalibur 70	Marvel
34	Superman: Man of Steel 26	DC
35	Incredible Hulk 410	Marvel
36	Venom: Funeral Pyre 3	Marvel
37	Infinity Crusade 5	Marvel
38	Previews vol 3 #8	Diamond
39	Thunderstrike 1	Marvel
40	Hellblazer Special 1	DC
41	Shadowhawk II 2	Image
42	Spider-Man 39	Marvel
43	Savage Dragon 3	Image
44	Batman 500 ($2.50 newsstand edition)	DC
45	SuperPatriot 1	Image
46	Predator: Race War 4	Dark Horse
47	Warriors of Plasm 1	Defiant
48	Deadpool 3	Marvel
49	Silver Surfer 85	Marvel
50	Dooms IV 3	Image

Diamond Distributors (US) Top 50 Titles

1	Batman 500 ($3.95 edition)	DC
2	Superman 82 ($3.50 edition)	DC
3	X-Men 2099 #1 ($1.75)	Marvel
4	Adventures of Superman 505 ($2.50 edition)	DC
5	X-Men 25 ($3.50)	Marvel
6	(Warriors of) Plasm 1 ($2.95)	Defiant
7	Deathmate Epilogue ($2.95)	Image
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23	Action Comics 692	DC
24	Brigade 4	DC
25	Maxx 6	Image
26	X-Force 27	Marvel
27	Sabretooth 3	Marvel
28	Bloodstrike 5	Image
29	Amazing Spider-Man 382	Marvel
30	Venom: Funeral Pyre 3	Marvel
31	X-Men Annual 2	Marvel
32	Dooms IV 3	Image
33	Thunderstrike 1	Marvel
34	Valeria, the She-Bat 4	Continuity
35	Batman: Shadow of the Bat 19	DC
36	Shamans Tears 4	Image
37	Supreme 5	Image
38	Wolverine 74	Marvel
39	Superman 82 (newsstand)	DC
40	Ultra-Monthly Magazine 3	Malibu
41	X-Factor 95	Marvel
42	Green Lantern 46	DC
43	Adventures of Superman 505 (newsstand)	DC
44	Justice League Task Force 5	DC
45	Batman: Shadow of the Bat 18	DC
46	Cable 6	Marvel
47	Spider-Man 2099 #12	Marvel
48	Turok: Dinosaur Hunter 5	Valiant
49	Secret Weapons 3	Valiant
50	Spider-Man 39	Marvel

Market Analysis: August titles

THE facing page gives a breakdown of the top fifty titles ordered through Britain's Titan Distributors Ltd and America's Diamond Comic Distributors Inc. As such, it is composed of orders received from UK & US comics specialist traders. Because of the unique nature of the direct sale market, orders are placed three full months before the titles are due to ship. This allows the publishers to print according to orders received, and as such has replaced the newsstands as their primary source of income.

With newsstand distribution, comics are placed on a sale or return basis, meaning that unsold copies are not paid for, and are ultimately destroyed. With unsold levels around 70%, newsstand distribution is uneconomical for publishers.

In the direct sale market, almost all of the risk outside of overheads is taken by the shop or mail order trader who orders according to his estimate of potential sales levels on over 600 titles a month. Distributors buy from publishers according to orders placed, publishers print according to orders received from publishers. But retailers, unable to return copies when received three months later, have to hope each month that customers will want to buy the comics ordered.

The fate of titles rests totally in the hands of retailers. If, sight unseen, retailers do not believe the concept, creative line-up or cover price makes a new title commercial they will order low and the publisher may chose not to publish, knowing his sales levels make the title unprofitable. With existing titles, if a publisher receives low orders, he can choose to cancel the comic completely or revamp it as DC did so adroitly with **Superman** and **Batman**.

UK trade orders

MARVEL COMICS continues to dominate in the eyes of UK retailers with 60% of the Top Ten titles and 42% of the Top Fifty for August shipping. But, over the last three months its lead has dropped by 8%, from its June total of exactly half of the Top Fifty. However, the X-Men family of titles still holds strong in the UK despite continual creator changes and late shipping, and represents six of the top ten books.

DC COMICS has four titles in the Top Ten and maintains its position as the number two comics company with 28% of the total. The current strength of **Superman, Batman** and the Vertigo titles in Britain having consolidated DC's position.

IMAGE COMICS: Despite US fears that Image was beginning to lose its market share through poor scheduling and over-expansion away from its core audience, its UK order levels continue to grow. Image has doubled its places in the top 50 from 12% to 24% in a mere three months. But with August titles, it has no entries in the UK Top Ten for the first time this year, due primarily to the rescheduling of **Spawn** resulting in a skip month.

DEFIANT: Perhaps showing a greater resilience to speculators here than in America, the biggest difference between the two charts is in the position of Defiant Comics' first title **Plasm**. While it beats stiff competition to the #6 slot in America, in the British chart it places poorly at #47.

VALIANT: Further echoing Britain's non-speculative stance, Valiant Comics is conspicuous by its absence, with no titles featuring whatsoever in the entire Top Fifty.

US trade orders

Speculators still are setting the trends in the US, with every book in the August Top Ten from Diamond having either a special feature or being a first issue.

DEFIANT: Outside of the Marvel and DC domination of the top five, Jim Shooter's Defiant Comics appears to have really caused a storm, charting at 6 with its first title **(Warriors of) Plasm** #1.

IMAGE: While they has been pushed out of the top five for August, the Image team must be feeling pleased with themselves. They have taken 32% of the top fifty titles, beating both DC and Marvel, who each achieved only 28%.

CONTINUITY: Spawn's appearance in **Valeria the She Bat** has pulled Neal Adams' company into the chart for the second consecutive month, albeit with a drop of 16 places, but how often does the second part of a crossover outsell the first part?

VALIANT: Mirroring the US speculator backlash over Valiant overstocks, it is not surprising to see that their percentage of the Top 50 has dropped considerably, from 17% to 6% in three months.

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IN STOCK	*wax box*	*wax pack*	*shipping date*	*order deadline*
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Continuity's second crossover, *The Rise of Magic*, begins with background storylines in the October-shipping **Armor**, **Megalith**, **Ms Mystic**, **Crazyman**, **Hybrids**, **Valeria The She-Bat** and **Samuree** titles, all of which will cover-feature a foil-embossed demon icon.

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DC COMICS

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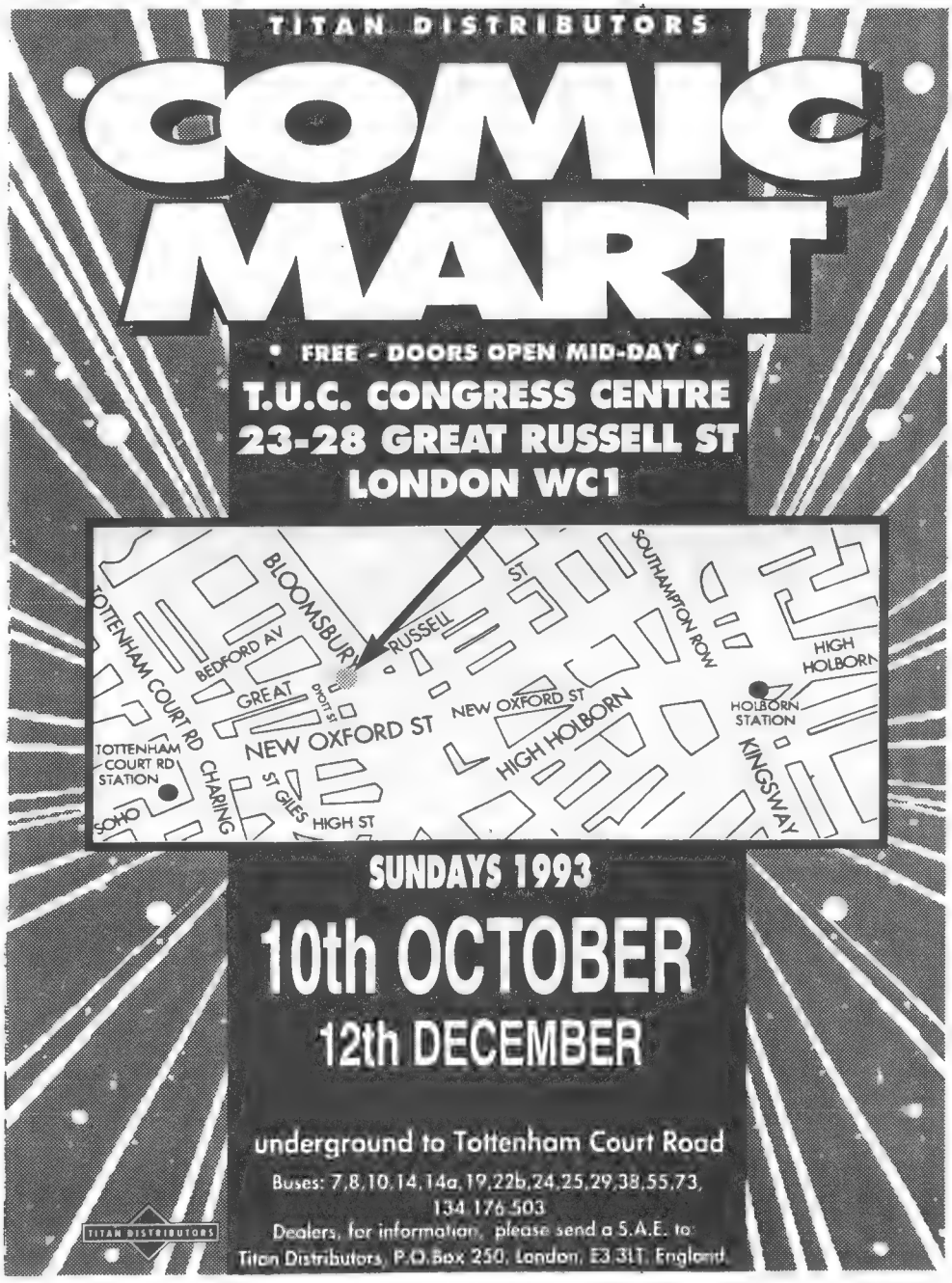

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☐ **Wildstar: Sky Zero 3** (of 4; Gordon & Ordway) *The Death of Wildstar:* Rescheduled issue, featuring a guest appearance of Savage Dragon. .. $1.95

☐ **Wildstar: Sky Zero 4** (of 4; Gordon & Ordway) Rescheduled. Wildstar's post-death attempt to save his own life! $1.95

INNOVATION

☐ **Beauty and the Beast 9** Adapted from cult TV series. Cover: Deodato, Jr. $2.50

☐ **Dark Shadows: Book Three 1** (Rockwell & Echevarria) *A Motion and a Spirit.* First of a new storyline in this continuing gothic horror series, in which Sarah Collins, Barnabas's sister, returns from the dead. Deluxe format. ... $2.50

☐ **Lost in Space: Voyage to the Bottom of the Soul 5** (of 12; Murny & Dutkiewicz) More intergalactic romps with the space family Robinson. Deluxe format. . $2.50

☐ **Lucifer's Hammer 3** (adaptation: Collins & Vilela) Continuing series derived from Larry Niven and Jerry Pournelle's science fiction novel. $2.50

☐ **Mack Bolan: The Executioner 4** (Pendleton, Florea + Deodato) Bolan wins his current bout with the underworld, but the real war is yet to come. Deluxe format. $2.50

☐ **On a Pale Horse 4** (adaptation: Rockwell & V Vargas) Based on the Piers Anthony fantasy novel. $4.95

☐ **Quantum Leap: Second Childhood 2** (of 3; Rockwell & Deodato, Sr) Based on the US TV series. Sam leaps once again into the life of Bobby Levitz, now four years old. Cover: C Winston Taylor. $2.50

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NEW ☐ **From Inside** (gn; Bergin) The product of two years' worth of work for Bergin, this graphic novel chronicles a pregnant woman's train journey through a surreal, horrific world. Signed edition. 288pg $24.95

☐ **Hyena 4** (anthology; editor: Mark Martin) Featuring *Frank* (Woodring); *Lunch Hour Shenanigans* (White); *Unnamed Pseudo Manga Boy* (Atherton) and *Fruitheads* (Musgrove). b&w 48pg $3.95

NEW ☐ **Melting Pot 1** (of 4; Eastman + Talbot & Bisley) First of a limited series teaming **Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles** creators with Simon **Lobo** Bisley. A deviant celestial creates a mock Earth populated by the outcasts from a million planets... When a bloody war for the possession of The Holy Land territory begins, rumours of the coming of a saviour spread — and Melting Pot knows that delivery is at last on hand. Mature readers. $2.95

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NEW ☐ **Upturned Stone** (hdbk; Hampton) One-shot Halloween murder mystery, published in hardback. Scott Hampton's story of four boys who, after discovering of the grave of a murdered teenager, become possessed by the will of a vengeance-driven ghost. 64pg $14.95

MALIBU

Malibu Comics' *Genesis* storyline continues in three existing series, **Dinosaurs for Hire**, **Ex-Mutants** and **Protectors** and in the **Protectors** spin-off titles, **The Ferret**, **Gravestone** and **Man of War**

NEW ☐ **Dead Clown 1** (of 3; Ulm & Thomas + Rae) First of a limited series. JoJo the clown is accidentally killed during a military experiment; but rises from the dead as Ghastly the Dead Clown Soon a celebrity, JoJo finds that his resurrection has made him the target of his former employers, who hire Force America to do the dirty deed for them. $2.50

☐ **Dinosaurs for Hire 9** (Mason & Kirk + McCorkindale) *Genesis* crossover. Featuring the debut of new character WidowMaker. Floundering in an unfamiliar universe, the Dinosaurs bump into a formidable new adversary. Back-up Dinosaur strip: Mason and Staton. Cover: Swan. $2.50

☐ **Exiles 3** (Ultraverse; Gerber & Phipps + Branch) Injured innocent Timmy — now the Mastodon — is captured by the voracious Malcolm Kort's agents. The Exiles make a dash to save him from Kort — and from his fate as the Mastodon. 40pg $2.50

☐ **Ex-Mutants 12** (Mann & Derenick + Miller) *Genesis* crossover. A host of revelations: Extreme defeats the Ex-Mutants and invades the Protectors' world. Los Angeles is superceded by Sluggtown — for which the Protectors blame the Ex-Mutants — and an Ex-Mutant team very different from its pre-Extreme incarnation takes up the Protectors' challenge. $2.25

☐ **The Ferret 6** (R A Jones & Zachary) *Genesis* crossover. Disturbed by chaotic dimensional fluctuations, the Ferret finds himself re-enacting the past; saving Amazing Man from Bloodlust aboard the USS Jefferson. Features a back-up strip by Steve Erwin. Cover: McManus. $2.25

☐ **Firearm 2** (Ultraverse; Robinson & Hamner + Lowe) Private investigator Alexander Swan goes to Hardcase for information about the murdered Arnie Tate. Hardcase, however, has more important issues on his mind. 40pg $2.50

☐ **Freex 4** (Ultraverse; G Jones & Herrera + Christian) The five-strong teenage team becomes prey to the Master of the Hunt and his Bloodhounds. But the Freex are outcasts, and have little hope of any help or shelter in the "normal" world. 40pg $2.50

☐ **Gravestone 4** (Powell & Burdine) *Genesis* crossover. While acclimatising himself to the new LA, Sluggtown, Gravestone meets Christine Daniels, a reporter who's prepared to go any lengths to get a story... Cover: Kelly Jones. $2.25

☐ **Hardcase 5** (Ultraverse; Hudnall & Benefiel) Choice and Hardcase go out for a night on the town, but their ultrahero status attracts trouble — from the ambiguous Rex Mundi, and from the Operator and her assassin, Hardwire... 40pg $2.50

☐ **Man of War 7** (Mason + Danko & Brown + Welch) *Genesis* crossover. Man of War's life is imperilled by the return of Rocket Man. Cover: Jurgens ... $2.25

☐ **Mantra 4** (Ultraverse; Barr & Brewer) Eternal Light warrior Lukasz is hacked off: the woman in whose body he has been reincarnated is getting married. But the vicar turns out to be the Sorcerer of Darkness, Boneyard. 40pg $2.50

☐ **Necroscope Book II 2: The Wamphyri** (Powell & Kendall) Having sacrificed his life to eradicate the Wamphyri, the undead Harry Keogh is now forced to take up arms against a new, 20-year-old manifestation of the same evil spirit. Mature readers. $2.95

NEW ☐ **The Night Man 1** (Ultraverse; Englehart & Robertson + Pepoy) First of an ongoing series. Johnny Domino survives a near-terminal encounter with a metal spike (which torpedoed into his head). But when he recovers from the accident, he finds that he can't sleep — and that he can hear other people's thoughts as if they were spoken out loud. When he tunes into psychopath Death Mask's wavelength, the Night Man decides that it's time to intervene to protect the killer's next victim. 40pg $2.50

☐ **Prime 5** (Ultraverse; Jones & Stazewski + Breyfogle) A demon breaks into an animation studio, and Prime finds himself forced into fighting his alter-ego's living childhood cartoon hero, Maxi-Man. 40pg $2.50

☐ **Protectors 14** (R A Jones & Derenick + Miller) *Genesis* crossover. Dinosaurs for Hire, Ex-Mutants and Protectors unite for mortal combat with Extreme. $2.25

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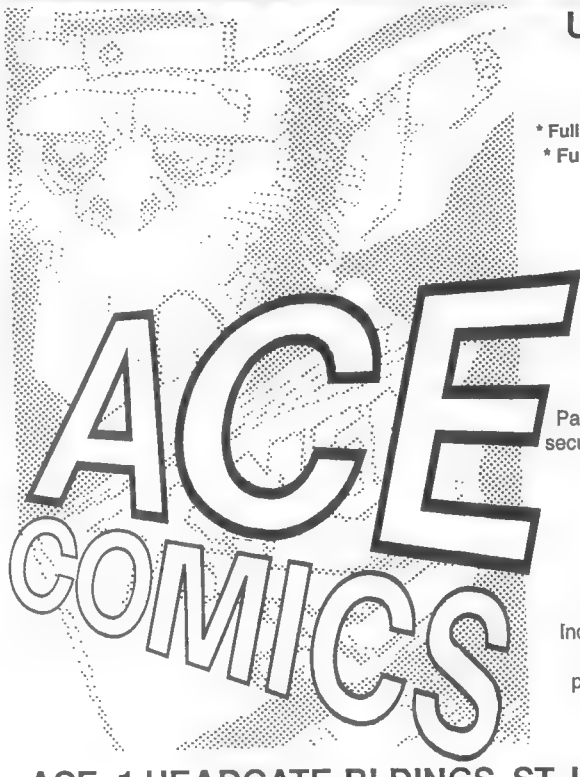

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NEW ☐ **Sludge 1** (Ultraverse; Gerber & Loptresti + Martin) First of an ongoing series about bent cop-cum-monster, Frank Hoag. When his mob paymasters demand that he kill a colleague, Hoag refuses — and is immediately targeted by mob hitmen who leave him for dead in a sewer. But the sewer is next to a chemical factory, and Hoag returns from death's door somehat altered. 40pg $2.50

☐ **The Solution 2** (Hudnall & Wozniak + Lowe) Ultra-mercenaries the Solution step in — before Rex Mundi does — to find some missiles "lost" somewhere in the former Soviet Union. 40pg $2.50

☐ **Star Trek: Deep Space Nine 3** (Barr & Davis + Pallot) Historical rivalries resurface when the Cardassian general, Gul Trelar, is found murdered in his quarters during his last journey to his home planet. $2.50

☐ **The Strangers 5** (Ultraverse; Englehart & Hoberg + Burgard) The Strangers unite to scotch the shenanigans of an embittered old man, Larry Bushnel (aka Jumpstart Effect victim, Deathwish) whose sole aim is to destroy the city. $2.50

☐ **Ultra-Monthly Magazine 5** Ultraverse consumer title, which this issue provides detail about Prototype. 16pg $0.50

MARVEL COMICS

SHIPPING OCTOBER 5TH

☐ **Avengers West Coast 101** (Thomas & Ross + Dzon) *Bloodties, Part 3* (of 5) Guest starring The X-Men and Magneto. The West Coast Avengers are called in to diffuse a potentially disastrous situation during the Genoshan civil war. .. $1.25

☐ **Biker Mice From Mars 2** (Ungar + Forward & Tyler + Fields) The alliance formed by Dr Karbunkle and X-Terminator threatens to destroy the planet. .. $1.50

☐ **Cable 6** (Nicieza & Turner) Cable meets Professor X for the first time — and the villainous Stryfe looks set to make a comeback. $2.00

☐ **Captain America 422** (Gruenwald & Levins + Bulanadi) Sidewinder makes Cap a deal: pay for his daughter's life-saving operation or die. $1.25

☐ **Children of the Voyager 4** (of 4; Marvel UK Frontier; Abadzis & Johnson) Concluding issue, in which Sam fights the most powerful witch in the world for his very soul. $1.95

☐ **Dances with Demons 4** (of 4; Marvel UK Frontier; Jowett & Adlard) The past returns to haunt James Owl as he enters a final confrontation with his nemesis the Manitou. $1.95

☐ **Daredevil 323** (Chichester & McDaniel + Collazo) *Fall from Grace: Part 4* (of 7). Daredevil enlists the aid of Siege in a desperate battle to stop Venom discovering the key to gaining omnipotence. $1.25

☐ **Dark Guard 3** (Marvel UK; Abnett & Pachero + Jiminez) The threat of MyS-TECH looms once again in a story guest-starring a raft of Marvel UK heroes. $1.75

☐ **Darkhawk 34** (Fingeroth & Smith + Akin) Broderick Bazin's relentless quest for vengeance against Darkhawk's family continues. Meanwhile, over New York Harbour, Darkhawk and Mako are locked in mortal combat. $1.25

NEW ☐ **Death Duty 1** (Marvel UK; Cowsill + Jowett & Fonteriz) *Red Mist 20/20: Part 1* (of 6) First of a six-aprt mini-series about the effect a lethal virus has on the cyborg community of Marvel UK. Includes bound-in trading card. $2.25

☐ **Die-Cut 2** (of 4; Marvel UK; Dakin & Custodio) The X-Man Beast's guest appearance heralds his mutation to X-Beast; but when Die-Cut attempts to track him down — he confronts the deadly ID-Sister. $1.75

NEW ☐ **Ghost Rider and the Midnight Sons Magazine.** First issue of an ongoing consumer magazine. Includes background on the *Siege of Darkness* crossover; **Midnight Sons** creator profiles along with a feature on Dr. Strange's move to the imprint. Cover: Pratt. $3.95

☐ **Groo the Wanderer 107** (Marvel/Epic; Aragones + Evanier) Groo's lack of common sense lands himself in trouble when he tries to explore a new land $2.25

☐ **Gun Runner 3** (of 6; Marvel UK Gene Pool; Abnett + Lanning & Williams + Anderson) Gun Runner faces a conundrum: he's got to find the Enhanced before he can defeat the Cynodd. Problem is, he doesn't know where to even begin looking. $1.75

NEW ☐ **Harrowers 1** (Epic/Clive Barker; Zinc Ink & Colan + Rubinstein) First of an ongoing series introducing a new team of Barkerverse heroes. Two Harrowers go to Hell for a dread confrontation with Pinhead. $2.95

☐ **Marvel Masterworks 25: Fantastic Four.** Collected Fantastic Four 41-50 and Annual 3. (Lee & Kirby). $34.95

NEW ☐ **Monster Menace 1** (of 4; Lee & Kirby & Ditko) First of a reprint series featuring classic, pre-superhero Marvel monster stories. $1.25

☐ **Motormouth & Killpower 2** (of 4; Marvel UK; Cartmel & Redondo) Death's Head II and the eponymous heroes join forces to do battle with the MyS-TECH corporation. $1.75

☐ **Namor 45** (Herdling & Isherwood) Sunfire battles for Japanese whalers — with Attuma — and Namor steps in to bolster the aquatic combat-power. $1.25

☐ **Nightstalkers 14** (Grant & Wildman + Turner) *Siege of Darkness, Part 1* (of 17). A new creative team take the book into its own sub-universe as Lilith and her acolytes stage a re-entry. $1.75

☐ **Nomad 20** (Nicieza & Mays + Adams) The Six Pack from X-Force guest star. Nomad's mission: to protect a NASA proto-system — while the Six Pack's mission is to steal it. $1.75

☐ **Original Ghost Rider 18** (Isabella & S. Buscema + Tartaglione + Roussos) Reprints **Ghost Rider** Vol 1 #11. . $1.75

NEW ☐ **Pinhead 1** (Epic/Clive Barker; Chichester & Carrasco) First of a continued series, in which Pinhead, while time-travelling in pursuit of an unknown adversary, encounters a previous incarnation of himself in the shape of Arrowhead. $2.95

☐ **Punisher Armory 8** (Brown) Focusing on Frank Castle's firepower, with background information on individual

weapons. $2.00

☐ **Ren & Stimpy 13** (Slott & Kazaleh + Mitchell & Kazaleh) Derived from Nickelodeon's *Ren & Stimpy* animated TV series. $1.75

☐ **Sachs & Violens 2** (of 4; Epic; David & Perez) JJ Sachs is the Model Killer's next available target — and Violens prepares to sacrifice himself in the desperate bid to protect his partner.$2.25

☐ **Saint Sinner 3** (Epic/Razorline; E Lee & Douglas) At large in the dimension of Vertesque, Saint Sinner prepares to purge both demon and angel from his troubled soul. $1.75

☐ **She-Hulk 58** (Fisch & Jensen + Kaalberg) Irritating Tommy the Intern plays true to form during a She-Hulk v Elektro epic. $1.75

☐ **Spider-Man 2099 14** (David & Leonardi + Williamson) Miguel (Spider-Man 2099) O'Hara's office rival, Jordan Boone shows his hand — and signs of major villainy. $1.25

☐ **Spider-Man Classics 9** (Lee & Ditko + Kirby) Reprints **Amazing Spider-Man 8**. $1.25

☐ **Thor Corps 4** (of 4; DeFalco & Oliffe) Thor (the original) steps in to help his namesakes in their struggle to defeat Demonstarr. $1.75

☐ **Thunderstrike 3** (DeFalco & Frenz + Milgrom) Thor-like private investigator Thunderstrike runs into the female vigilante, Sangre, while hunting his son's teacher's killer. $1.25

☐ **Uncanny X-Men 307** (Lobdell & Romita Jr) *Bloodties, Part 4* (of 5). Exodus makes his move on Avalon while Gambit and Storm dig deep into Genosha's heart. Plus, more Magneto origins. $1.25

NEW ☐ **Wolverine in Global Jeopardy** (David & Howells + Anderson) Eco-conscious Wolverine and friends battle with the apocalyptic Conservator. Published in association with the World Wildlife Fund. $2.95

☐ **Warlock Chronicles 6**(of 8; Starlin & Renkewitz + Williams) *Blood and Thunder, Part 3* (of 13). Adam Warlock — with a little aid from Pip the Troll — goes head on with the mad god, Thor. . $2.00

☐ **Web of Spider-Man 107** (Kavanagh & Saviuk + Baskerville) Spider-Man faces the suffocating new villain, Sandstorm, while elsewhere, two old villains re-surface. $1.25

SHIPPING OCTOBER 12TH

☐ **Alpha Flight 127** (Furman & Carrasco Jr + Patterson) Epilogue to this summer's Marvel crossover, *Infinity Crusade*. $1.75

☐ **Amazing Spider-Man 384** (Michelinie & Bagley + Emberlin) Spider-Man is put on trial for the murders committed by Venom. Elsewhere, further developments about Peter's parents are revealed.$1.25

☐ **Barbie 36** (Trusiani & Cool + Robbins) Scared? You will be, in this story about Barbie in Halloween hi-jinks mood. $1.25

NEW ☐ **Curse of the Weird 1** (of 4; various) First of series reprinting pre-Comics Code Atlas and Marvel comics, featuring such greats as Ditko, Wolverton and Everett. . . . $1.25

☐ **Darkhold 15** (Cooper & Tyler + Downs) *Siege of Darkness, part 4* (of 17). There's a mole in the Midnight Sons but when Ghost Rider tries to warn Group 2 about the traitor, Zarathos beats him to it. $1.75

☐ **Ghost Rider 44** (Mackie & Garney + Ivy) *Siege of Darkness, part 2* (of 17). Lilith and Zarathos — with the aid of the Lilin — launch a massive attack on the Midnight Sons. $1.75

☐ **Guardians of the Galaxy 43** (Gallagher & Eaglesham + Montano) The Guardians face off against the 31st-century Inhumans while Thor's son Woden battles the evil Loki. $1.25

☐ **Hyperkind 4** (Epic/Razorline; Burke & Cullins + Petrecia) The team discover how Paragon John eradicated the Paxis from Earth's history books. $1.75

NEW ☐ **King Arthur and the Knights of Justice 1** (of 3; Lackey & Wilson + M Severin) First of a limited series based on the US TV animation about a football team in the court of King Arthur. $1.25

☐ **Lethal Foes of Spiderman 4** (of 4; Fingeroth & ? + Vancata) The right to kill the Webslinger is in dispute, but Spider-Man looks safe — the villains are likely to kill each other deciding who'll take the rosette. $1.75

☐ **Marvel Comics 143** (anthology) Featuring *Siege of Darkness, Part 3* (of 17; Cooper & Jones + Harper); *Werewolf, Part 1* (of 2; Kaminski & Fry); *Scarlet Witch, Part 1* (of 2; Ridout & Dennis) and *Thus Spake Zarathos* (? & ? + ?). Cover: MacNeil. $1.75

☐ **Morbius Revisited 5** (of 5; Mantlo & Robbins + Colletta) Reprinting **Adventures into Fear** 31. . . . . $1.95

☐ **Night Thrasher 5** (Nicieza & Saltares) Bosnia is the backdrop for Thrasher's fight with terrorists seeking to take control of his corporate jet. $1.75

☐ **Psychonauts 3** (of 4; Epic; Grant + Luke & Kobayashi) A demon catches the team unawares while it is preoccupied with debating the Earth's future. . . $4.95

☐ **Punisher War Zone 22** (Hama & Nguyen) Frank Castle ventures into Wolverine territory — Madripoor — as he catches up with the villainous DX. $1.75

☐ **Quasar 53** (Gruenwald & Smith + Cabrera) Quasar asks Adam Warlock to bring Kismet out of her coma. Warlock, however has no desire to awaken the woman who is his genetically-matched twin. $1.25

NEW ☐ **'Roidrage 1** (of 4; Marvel UK; Cowsill & Currie) *Red Mist 20/20, Part 2* (of 6). First of a limited series, in which Red Mist-contaminated super-soldier serum has been released into the community. It's Keller and Reno's task to stop the virus spreading through the population. $2.25

☐ **Ravage 2099 13** (Mills + Skinner & Miehm + Williams) Ravage discovers the secret of Alchemax's floating city of Valhalla. $1.25

☐ **Savage Sword of Conan 216** (Thomas & Alcala) *The Vengeance of Nitocris*: Sword and sorcery tale. . $2.25

☐ **Secret Defenders 10** (Mars & Grindberg + Hudson) Nebula plans to blow up her home planet of Titan in a move against the Silver Surfer. But Thunderstrike and War Machine intend to persuade her against it. $1.75

☐ **Silver Sable 19** (Wright & Butler + Eklund) *Siege of Darkness tie-in.* The Wild Pack form an uneasy partnership with Venom in order to defeat a horde of rampaging Lilin. $1.25

☐ **Sleepwalker 31** (Budiansky & Krantz) Rick Sheridan, Sleepwalker's former alter-ego, returns from the dead and walks straight into the arms of Cobweb. $1.25

☐ **Spider-Woman 2** (of 4; Thomas & Czop + Fredericks) Documenting the origin of the new Spider-Woman. Assassin Deathweb stalks Spider-Woman's daughter. $1.75

☐ **Terrarists 2** (of 4; Epic; Mills + Skinner & Erasmus) The team battles a corrupt corporation's army in the hope of improving its tarnished repuation. . $2.50

☐ **Wild Thing 9** (Marvel UK; Smith & Fonteriz) Revelations abound as Nikki and Lidder battle their way through dangerous virtuality — with Souldur on their heels. $1.75

☐ **Wolverine 76** (Hama & Kubert) Logan, struggling to survive, returns to his birthplace and finds Alpha Flight waiting for him. $1.75

☐ **Wonder Man 28** (Jones & Hamilton) A newly-empowered Simon tests his intergalactic powers by embarking on a quest for the end of the universe. $1.25

☐ **X-Factor 97** (DeMatteis & ? + Milgrom) Random returns to murder the man who hired him to kill Polaris. $1.25

☐ **X-Men Adventures 14** (Macchio & Wildman + Conrad) Fox TV adptn. Bishop prevents the assassination of Senator Kelly, but now, Gambit's guilt is in question. $1.25

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☐ **Avengers 369** (Harras & Epting + Palmer) *Bloodties Part 5* (of 5). Double-sized conclusion to the saga sees the team face Exodus over Magneto's legacy. $2.95

NEW ☐ **Blaze 1** (of 4; Mackie & Wagner) In which Blaze cracks when his family is kidnapped by a new villain. $1.75

NEW ☐ **Bloodrush 1** (of 4; Marvel UK; Jowett & Currie) *Red Mist 20/20, Part 3* (of 6). First of a limited series. Jake ('**Roidrage**) Keller, grown up into a hard-nosed private investigator, encounters an old enemy — the Red Mist virus. $2.25

☐ **Brats Bizarre 2** (of 4; Epic; Mills + Skinner & Mighten) Another Brat loses his life as the team are attacked by a bunch of celibate superheroes and the dread Reformer. $2.50

☐ **Chiller 2** (of 2; Epic; Hudnall & Ridgway) Brian and Tracy face a desperate battle to imprison the demon — and it seems their only ally has an unhelpful private agenda. $7.95

☐ **Conan 275** (Thomas & Buscema) Final issue of the series. Conan discovers a new vocation in life — leader of a band of Hyrkanian outlaws. 64pg $2.50

☐ **Conan Saga 81** (Thomas & Docherty + Villagran) Conan battles Shokkoth and a host of goblins, wizards and swordsmen. $2.25

☐ **Cyberspace 3000 #6** (Marvel UK; Russell & Tappin + Eve) Captain Cabre-Rios gets his new body but, alas, not in time to help the team fight a posse of psychotic bikers. $1.75

☐ **Dark Angel 17** (Marvel UK; Jaye & Larroca) The Psycho-Warriors kidnap Dark Angel's arch enemy, Crowe — and his only hope of rescue lies with the Dark Angel himself. $1.75

☐ **Death³ 4** (of 4; Marvel UK; Abnett & Barras) Charnel is barred from his ultimate goal by a whole horde of Marvel heroes including the ubiquitous Death's Head II. $1.75

NEW ☐ **Death Metal vs Genetics 1** (of 2; Marvel UK; Furman & Diaz) First of a two-part series. Death Metal plans to use his own genetic material to create a synthetic assassin, but Genetix aren't so keen on the idea — especially since it involves him committing suicide. $2.95

☐ **Die Cut vs G-Force 2** (of 2; Marvel UK; Freeman & Royle) The annihilation of the human race is inevitable — unless Die-Cut and G-Force manage to spoil the Cyberdrones' game. $2.75

☐ **Doom 2099 #12** (Moore & Broderick + Nyberg) Doom launches a move to prevent a cyborg becoming King of Wakanda. $1.25

☐ **Dragon Lines: The Way of the Warrior 2** (of 2; Epic; Quinones & Lim + Sanders III) Concluding issue of the series, chronicling the titanic battle for Tao's soul. $2.25

☐ **Ectokid 4** (Epic/Razorline; Wachowski & Skroce + Dvorak) Dex discovers that he has a new power — but doesn't know whether it will help save his mother's life. $1.75

☐ **Excalibur 72** (Ashford & Lashly) The team establish a new base on Muir Island — which is promptly attacked by the new Upstart, Ferris. $1.75

☐ **Fantastic Four Unlimited 4** (Thomas & Trimpe + Montano) The Mole Man sets the scene for a battle royale between The Thing and The Hulk $3.95

NEW ☐ **Gambit 1** (of 4; Mackie & Weeks + Janson) First of a limited series. Gambit returns to the Big Easy with Rogue at his side — and drops straight into a Thieves v Assassins' Guild battle. $2.50

☐ **Gene Dogs 3** (of 4; Marvel UK; Freeman & Taylor + Baskerville) The Gene Dogs make a successful bid to infiltrate Otoma's secret base. . . . $1.75

☐ **GI Joe 143** (Hama & Batista) Roadblock returns in a big-gun-v-big-monster epic. $1.25

NEW ☐ **Hellhound 1** (of 4; Epic/Clive Barker; Miller & F Hughes) Limited Barkerverse series, introducting a traditional tale in which an impoverished and ambitious blues musician merely has to trade his soul to achieve fame and fortune. $2.25

☐ **Incredible Hulk 412** (David & Pelletier + Smith) The Bi-Beast is infatuated with the She-Hulk, and it's left to Bruce to give him some crucial information about the facts of life in this *particular* case. $1.25

☐ **Marvel Age 131** (various) Featuring profiles of Excalibur and Deathlok. Cover: Joe, Adam and Andy Kubert. $1.00

☐ **Marvel Tales 280** (Defalco & Frenz + McLeod) Reprints **Amazing Spider-Man** 270. . . . . $1.25

☐ **Morbius 16** (Wright & Cordova + Pepoy) *Siege of Darkness, Part 5* (of 17). Lilith holds the Midnight Sons hostage — and Morbius decides to turn traitor. $1.75

NEW ☐ **Mort, the Dead Teenager 1** (of 4; Hama & Hallgren) First issue opens with the death of Mort Graves under the wheels of a speeding train. But dog-in-the-manger Graves returns to haunt family and friends. $1.75

☐ **Pinhead/Marshal Law: Law in Hell 2** (of 2; Epic; Mills & O'Neill) Marshal is still being tortured by Pinhead — but his rescue is near at hand. $2.95

☐ **Punisher 85** (Grant & Haynes + Mckenna) Anti-terrorist task force V.I.G.I.L targets the bounty-heavy Punisher in a bid to avoid imminent bankruptcy. $1.25

☐ **Spider-Man 41** (Kavanagh & Jae Lee) Featuring a guest apppearance by Iron Fist, who teams with Spider-Man to deal with the looming threat of Platoon. $1.75

☐ **Super Soldiers 9** (Marvel UK; Stevens & Raterra + Riggs) *Red Mist 20/20* crossover, with an appearance by the Punisher. $1.75

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☐ **Warlock and the Infinity Watch 23** (Starlin & Grindberg + Almond) *Blood and Thunder, Part 4* (of 13). Pip searches for help when Warlock and Silver Surfer take on the crazed Thor. $1.75

☐ **What If? 56** (Kaminski & Brasfield + Turner) *What If the Avengers lost Operation Galactic Storm? Pt 2* . . $1.25

☐ **Wolverine/Punisher: Damaging Evidence 3** (of 3; Potts & Erskine) Frank and Logan steam into Sniper and Damage. $2.00

☐ **X-Men 27** (Nicieza & ?) The Beast and Iceman find the key to the Legacy virus — in the shape of new villainess Threnody. $1.25

☐ **X-Men 2099 #3** (Moore & Lim + Kubert) X-Men of the future battle with the Ratpack in Las Vegas, circa 2099. $1.25

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☐ **Barbie Fashion 36** (Slate & Rausch + Lucas) Barbie goes on a shop-'til-you-drop trip with her aunt, but still finds the energy to pose for passing fans! . $1.25

☐ **Black Axe 9** (Marvel UK; Jowett & Adlard) Things go very wrong for Black Axe, with a fatality at the finale. . . $1.75

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☐ **Ghost Rider/Blaze: Spirits of Vengeance 17** (Mackie & Martinez + LaRosa) *Siege of Darkness, Part 8* (of 17). The medallion of power is used by Blaze, Ghost Rider and Vengeance to bring about the Lilin's defeat. $1.75

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☐ **New Warriors 42** (Nicieza & Robertson + Mahlstedt) The Warriors join up with the Xandarian Nova Corps and two erstwhile Galatus heralds to discern Nova's fate. $1.25

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☐ **Silver Surfer 87** (Marz & Smith + Christopher) *Blood and Thunder, Part 6* (of 13). Dr Strange is recruited in the fight against god-gone-mad, Thor. $1.25

☐ **Spectacular Spider-Man 207** (Grant & S Buscema) *Siege of Darkness* crossover. Spider-Man finds himself facing

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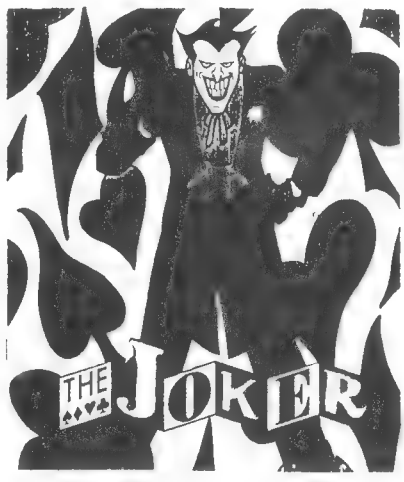

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☐ **Asylum 3** (various) Double-sized urban angst issue, with contributions from Perozich, Chaykin, Ingersoll, Morrow and Lovecraft. b&w 48pg $4.95

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☐ **Stupid Heroes 2** (Laird & Brown) The effects of the stupid hero disease are unveiled. Features the debut of new character MISTer. Includes two bound-in Next trading cards. $2.75

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☐ **Married... With Children: Quantum Quartet 3** (of 4; Tuttle & White, Richmond + Mowry) Continued satirical series based on two popular US TV dramas. . . $1.95

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NEW ☐ **Temptress 1** (J Scott Brown) First of an authorised series about the rock band Temptress, who profess to be "the world's first multi-media transvestite rock group". This issue, the adventurous foursome are swamped by Queerdonna, a 400lb transvestite. Mature readers. b&w $2.95

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NEW ☐ **Dracula vs Zorro 1** (McGregor & Yeates + Magyar) First of an ongoing series in which the masked Mexican superhero fights Count Dracula. Foil-enhanced cover. $2.95

☐ **Jurassic Park: Raptor 2** (Englehart & Golden + Gil) Concluding issue. Big game hunter Francis Boudenel is hired by the Biosyn corporation to catch a raptor for cloning purposes. And he catches one — plus *four* others. $2.95

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☐ **Silver Star 2** (of 4; Busiek & Fry + Austin) Continued mini-series. With the Dark Shogun dead, his daughter becomes the target of the world's superpowered criminals — she alone knows where her father's secret files are. Includes free Jack Kirby pin-up and three Topps Comics trading cards which together form an additional action sequence to the storyline. $2.95

☐ **The TeenAgents 3** (of 4; Busiek & Vokes + J Beatty) Continued mini-series. The Teenagents steam in to the rescue when they hear that the Blood Legion is holding a whole town hostage — but the team runs up against the Liberty Project along the way. Cover: Vokes and Austin. $2.95

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Archer & Armstrong 18 (Baron & Vosburg) Since his recent near-death experience, Archer has a very different attitude to life — and it's one that Armstrong is none too happy with. $2.50

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☐ **Harbinger 25** (Fontenot + H Simpson & Mayo + Beccari) *Twilight of the Eighth Day, Part 3* (of 3). Double-sized issue. Sting and Toyo Harada meet in mortal combat — and one must die. All remaining storylines are tied up in preparation for a new direction for the title beginning next issue. 48pg $3.50

☐ **The H.A.R.D.Corps 14** (Michelinie & Guichet + Ramos) The surviving members of the team decide to pick up the threads of their shattered lives in the aftermath of the recent tragedy. $2.25

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☐ **Rai & the Future Force 17** (Ostrander & Bolinger) Continued. No further information available at press time. $2.25

☐ **Secret Weapons 5** (St Pierre & Cavaliero) Geoff, Livewire and Stronghold find themselves indebted to the enigmatic Ninjak, who comes to their aid when they are threatened by the seemingly omnipotent WebNet crime syndicate $2.25

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☐ **Turok: Dinosaur Hunter 7** (Truman) Tim Truman takes over all creative duties for the first of three issues. No further details available at press time. . . . $2.50

☐ **X-O Manowar 24** (Gonzalez & Karounos + Ryder) When Aric returns, both he and Randi discover that they have a lot to talk over together, and they decide to go out on the town for a night; have a drink, shoot some pool. Unfortunately Aric just can't help attracting the more violent inhabitants of the night-time streets and inevitably, he and Randi end up in a ruck. $2.25

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☐ **Animerica Vol 1:8** (anthology magazine) Manga strips, interviews, news & reviews. Magazine. b&w 64pg . $4.95

☐ **Battle Angel Alita Book Two #7** (of 7; Kishiro) Hugo discovers that Vector has been lying to him, and he sets off to find Vector to force him to honour his promise — in one way or another. b&w . . $2.75

NEW ☐ **Bio-Booster Armor Guyver 1** (of 12; Takaya) First of a limited series chronicling the otherworldly adventures of a junior high school student, Sho, who finds a peculiar sphere which he inadvertently activates. The result is that he is strangely altered — both in appearance and powers. Besides looking like a nightmare, Sho now has to contend with the decision of exactly how he's going to use his new-found powers — for good or evil purposes. b&w $2.75

☐ **Genocyber 5** (Takezaki) Diana begins to realise the scope of her new psychic powers — potent enough to generate an explosion through the control of thought. But when she tries to flee with her father and twin sister, she is trapped by her former persecutor once again. b&w $2.75

☐ **Maison Ikkoku 5** (of 7; Takahashi) Kyoko finds herself in the middle of a furiously competitive contest between two aspiring lovers — neither of whom will give way. Things start to get a little complicated when Yusuka and her neice get involved — and Kyoko's dog flatly refuses to be ignored — especially when it comes to Mitaka's tendency to allergies. b&w 40pg $2.95

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☐ **Ranma 1/2 Part 2 #10** (of 11; Takahashi) Arkane is absolutely green with enraged jealousy because cute Chinese Shampoo is hanging around Ranma. But Shampoo isn't as cute as she is sugary-looking, and uses the "kiss of death" martial arts hair-washing technique to render Arkane oblivious to Ranma's existence. b&w $2.75

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WARP GRAPHICS

☐ **Elfquest: New Blood 10** (Lee & Beatty + Kato) Skywise takes over storytelling duties from Suntop and Ember, and proceeds to tell the kids a parable or two. Includes centrefold poster by Wendy Pini. $2.00

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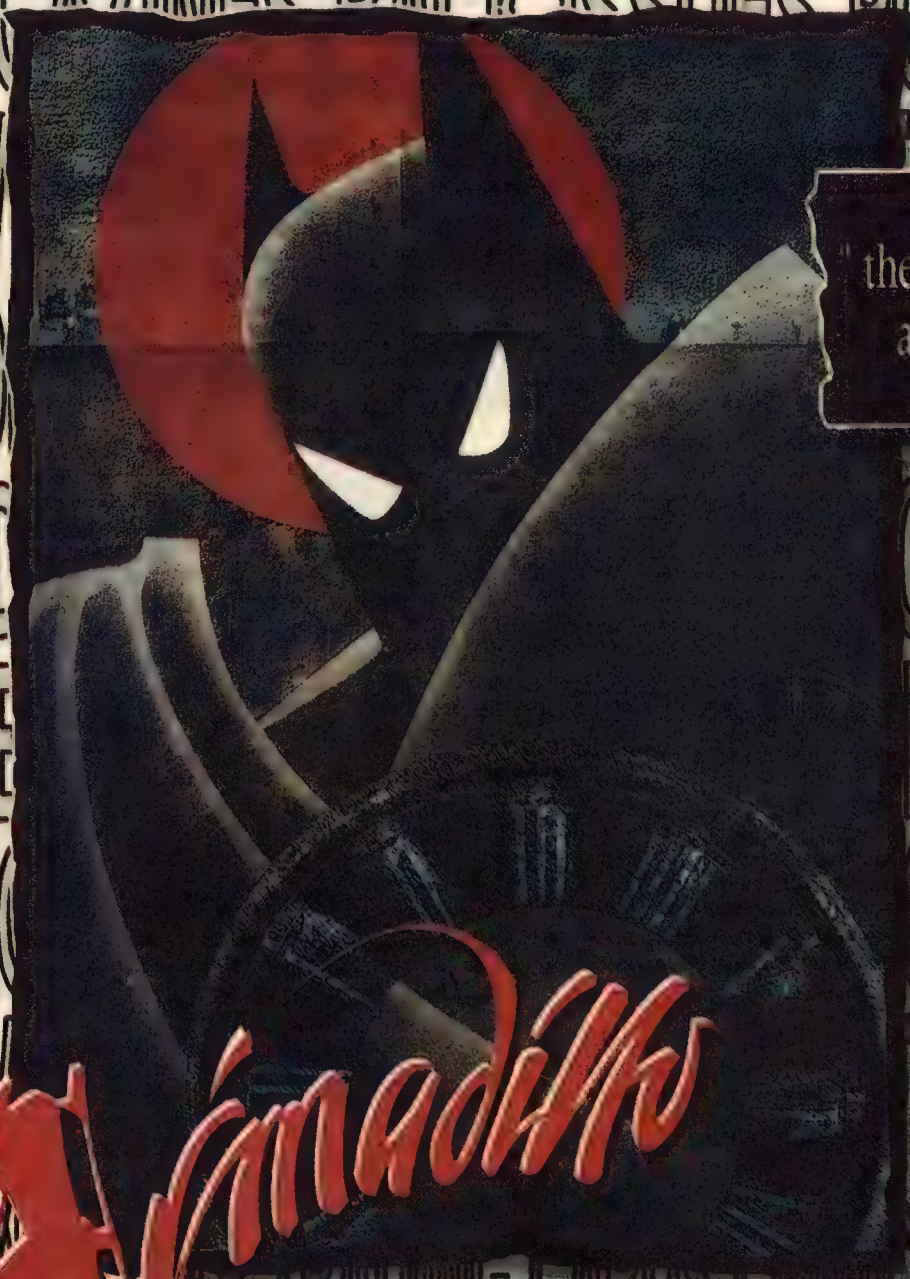

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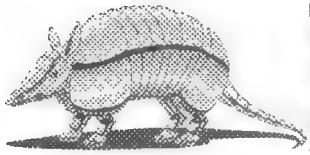

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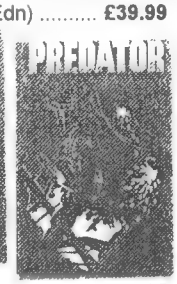

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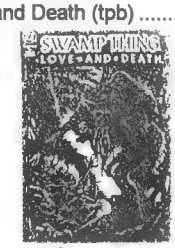

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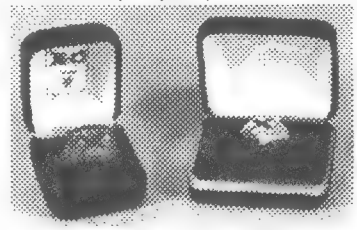

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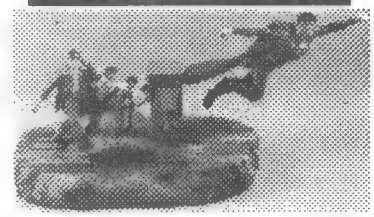

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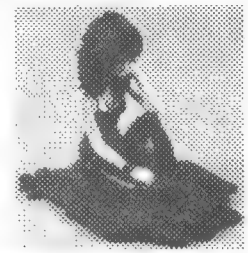

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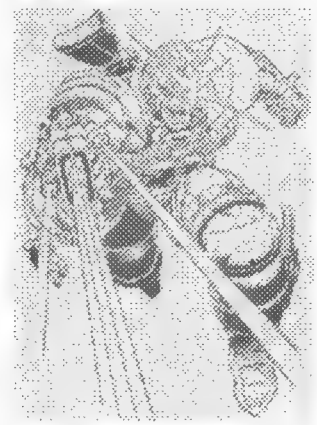

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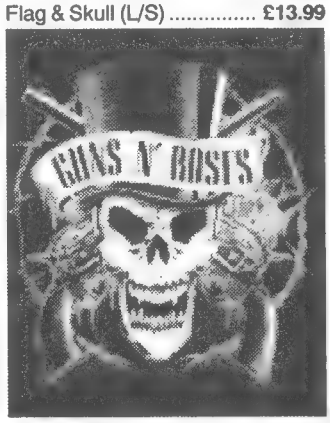

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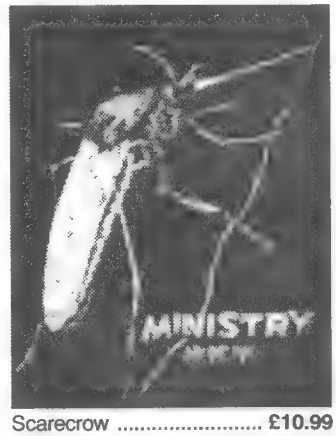

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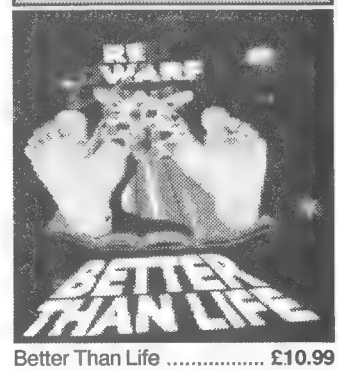

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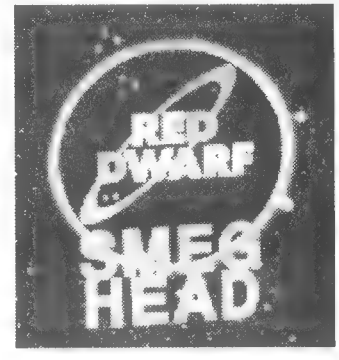

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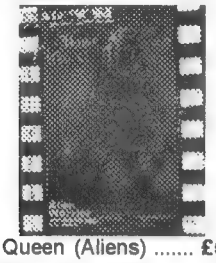

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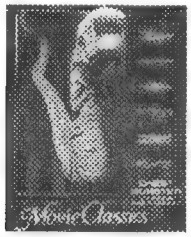

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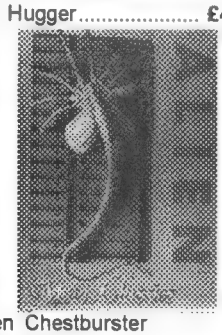

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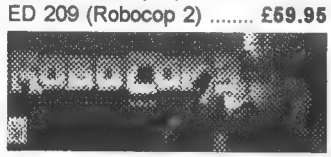

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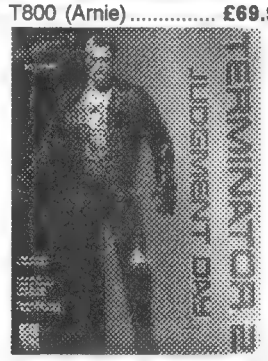

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MOVIES

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Star Trek 1 ..... £14.95
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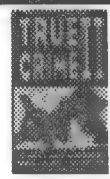

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The greatest space fantasy of them all is back with a new & exciting range of collectibles. A selection is listed below.

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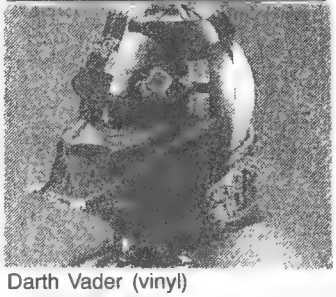
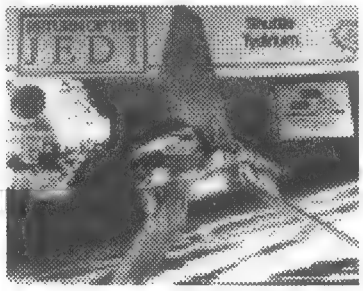


Darth Vader (vinyl)
Excellent detail £54.95

Han Solo (Vinyl)
Great collectors kit £54.95

MODEL KITS

Snowspeeder
Original plastic kit £8.95
AT-ST
Original plastic kit £8.95



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Detailed plastic kit £8.95
X-Wing Fighter - Original
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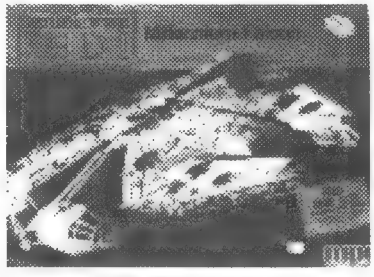

Millenium Falcon
The ultimate Star Wars kit. Amazing detail and loads of moving parts £18.95

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STAR TREK

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These coins are each packaged in a limited collectors wallet and individually numbered.

Jean Luc Picard **£29.95**

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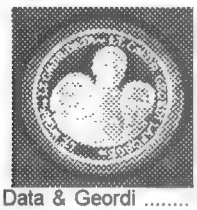

Worf, Data & Geordi **£29.95**

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Superbly Detailed miniatures of Trek ships and crew.

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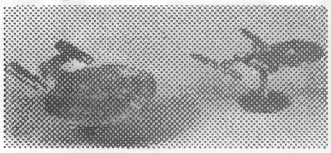

USS Enterprise
NCC -1701 - A **£17.95**
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PEWTER MINIATURES

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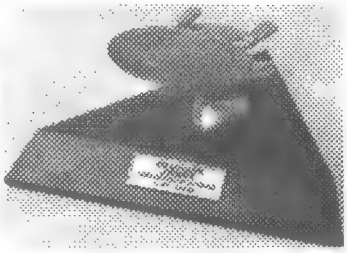

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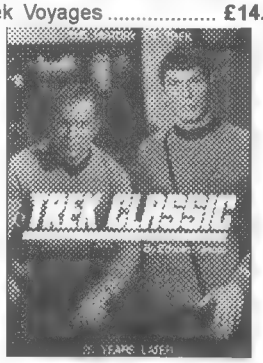

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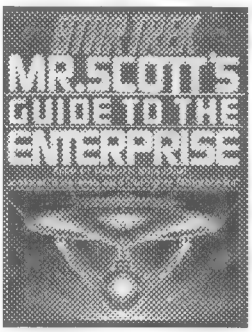
Trek Classic **£8.95**



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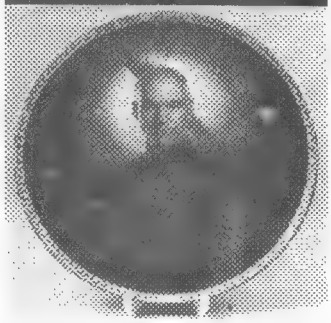

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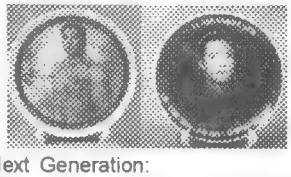

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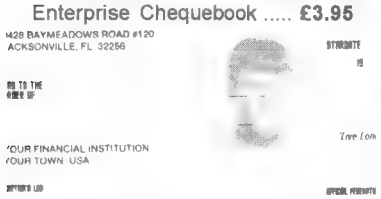

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Next Generation
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Star Trek: Deep Space Nine

MODEL KITS

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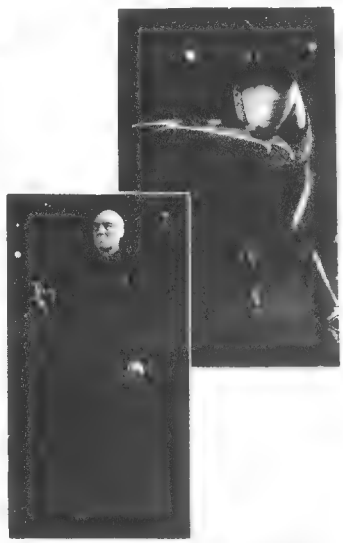

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TOYS & GAMES

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Light FX! **£49.95**

TOYS & GAMES

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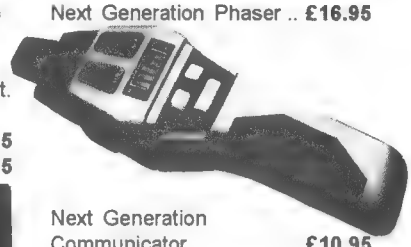

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Next Generation
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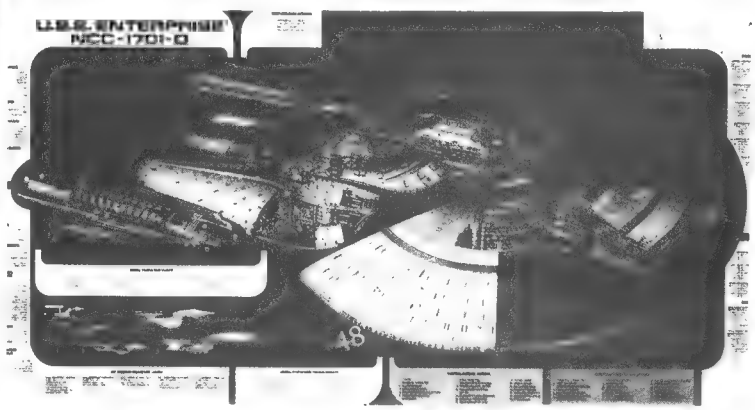

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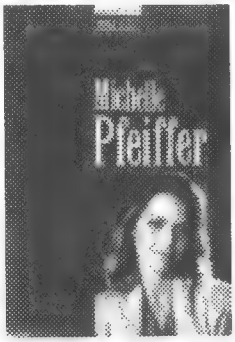

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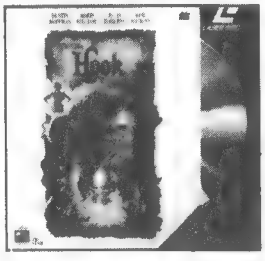

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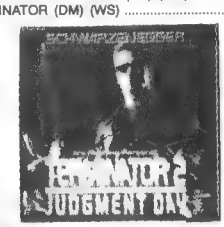

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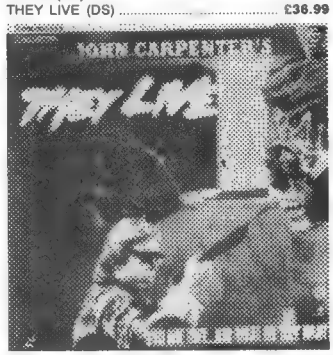

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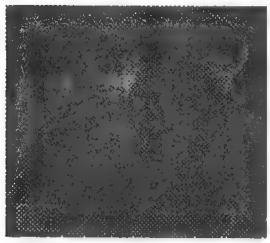

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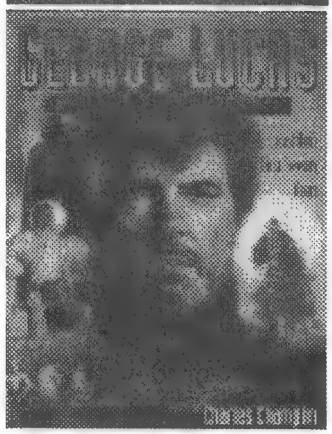

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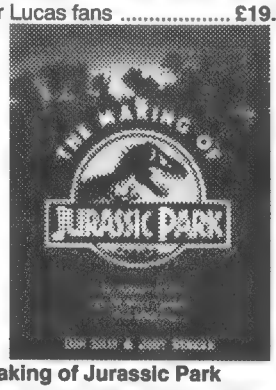

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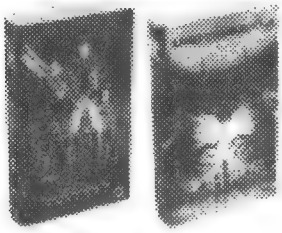

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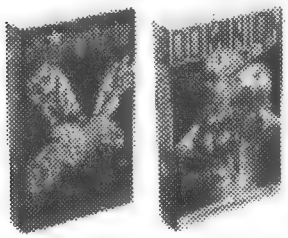

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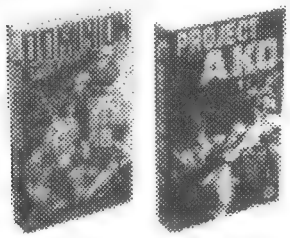

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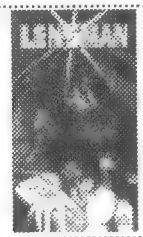

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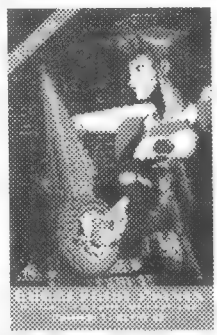

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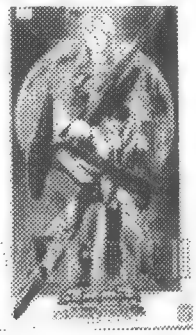

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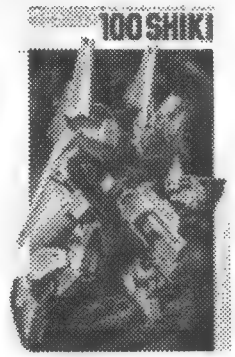

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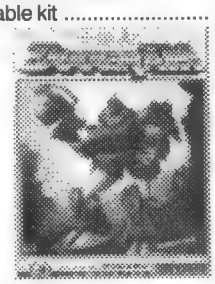

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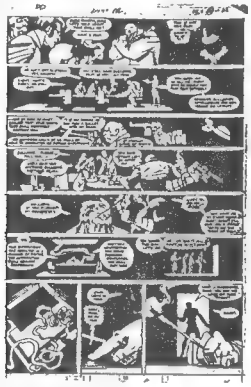

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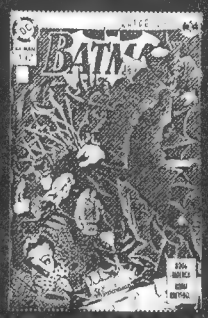

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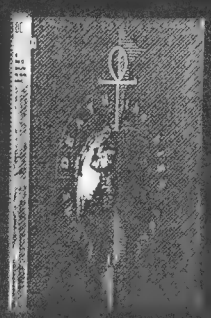

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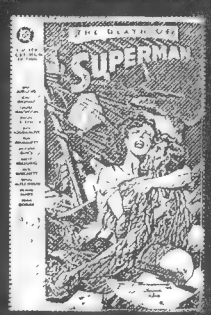

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27 VF- £12

BATMAN

1 VG+ (R) TRIMMED £5940
6 F+ £594
7 F- £429
19 VG £160
19 VF- £396
24 VG/F £182
24 VF+ £429
26 VG+ £165
26 VG- £172
28 VF- £396
29 FA+ £70
30 VF- £330
32 F £132
34 VG- £83
37 VG+ £165
43 VG+ £132
46 VG £86
53 VG+ £96
54 F+ GREASE PENCIL MARK FRONT COVER £148
72 VG+ £73
74 VG- £60
75 VG/F £80
79 VG NOC £63
83 VG- £56
86 F/VF £99
87 VG £70
88 VG+ £70
93 F- £80
93 F/VF £99
116 F £40
126 F+ £40
142 F+ £28
143 VF £46
147 F £20
149 VG £10
155 VG+ CHIP OUT FC £46
155 VG+ £46
160 VG/F £11
161 VG+ £14
166 NM+ £40
166 VG/F £15
168 F- £14
168 VF £28
170 VG/F £12
170 F+ £16
171 VG- £50
171 VF- £138
171 VG- £53
182 F- £10
185 VF £19
200 VF £70
200 NM- £92
AN 2 FA+ £10
AN 2 VF/NM £80
AN 4 VF £35
AN 5 F- £15

BRAVE & THE BOLD

3 F- £85
7 G+ £26
7 G/VG £30
14 F £50
16 VG/F £50
23 VG/F £60
28 VG+ (R) £700
28 VG WRITING BCE396
29 F- £278
29 FA £40
29 VG+ £212
29 G+ £106
29 G/VG £120
29 FA £56
30 VG/F £264
30 G+ £106
30 VG £132
30 VG+ £178
30 G/VG £106
32 F £30
38 VG £16
42 VF+ £73
42 VG £20
54 VG £30
58 F/VF £18
59 VG/F £16
64 VF+ £32
68 NM £40
68 VF+ £35

BRAVE & THE BOLD

68 F/VF £20
82 VF- £10

CHALLENGERS OF THE UNKNOWN

4 G- £17
5 VG 1/2 IN TEAR BC £60
6 F+ £125
9 G/VG £23
9 VG+ £43
14 F £38
16 F/VF £36
17 VG+ £20
21 F £23
22 F £18
22 VF+ £50
28 VF £26
31 VG+ £12

DETECTIVE

72 VG £119
78 VG LOOSE COVER £92
78 VG- £105
79 VG+ £125
85 VG £125
89 FA- £30
90 VG- SS £79
95 VG SS £79
97 VG+ GREASE PENCIL MARKS FRONT COVER £92
97 VG £89
110 VG £78
110 VG/F £96
111 VG/F £96
113 VG- £79
114 F £178
114 VG- £106
115 VG £89
116 VG £89
118 VG- £105
120 VG- UNEVEN CUT £70
121 VG NAME STAMP £70
125 VG PIECE OUT BC £73
127 VG+ £86
127 VG £73
128 VG- £99
129 VG £83
130 VG £83
132 VG £73
133 F £89
134 VG £60
139 VG £73
141 VG £73
146 G/VG £80
157 VG £73
162 VG £73
164 F 1/2 & 1/4 IN TEARS FC £83
166 VG- £70
167 VG £73
169 VF £198
169 VG £73
172 VG £73
173 VG/F £86
174 VG- £70
176 VG/F CHIP OUT FC £80
196 VG- CHUNK OUT BC £26
197 VG £50
197 VF £132
199 G+ £30
201 VG- £46
205 VG- £70
208 VG+ £53
209 VG £50
210 VG+ £53
212 VG £50
212 VG+ £53
219 VG/F £53
220 VG £46
223 VG/F £53
225 VG/F £726
223 VG 1 IN TR BC £145

DETECTIVE

236 VG £35
240 VG- £30
259 F- £47
265 F+ £70
270 VG £20
272 VF+ £60
278 VG/F £23
279 F- £23
280 VG/F £23
288 VG £12
288 VG- 1 IN TR 1 PG £10
293 VG+ £16
294 VG+ £16
328 VF+ £43
329 VF+ £23
331 VF/NM £16
331 NM- £18
346 NM £20
354 VF £14

FLASH

105 F- £594
109 VG/F £125
110 VG/F 1/2 IN TR BC £154
111 VG- £78
112 VG/F £80
112 F+ £73
113 F- £53
114 VG/F £40
115 G- £10
116 F+ £43
118 VG £23
119 VG £23
124 VG+ £19
129 VG- £26
131 VG+ £16
132 F £20
133 VG+ £17
138 F- £19
137 G+ £30
138 VG/F £18
139 G/VG £12
140 F/VF £30
169 VF+ £35
176 NM £14
AN 1 VG £40
AN 1 VG+ £50
AN 1 F £60

GREEN LANTERN

1 VG- £231
1 F £429
2 VG+ £119
2 G/VG £79
3 F/VF £118
3 VG- £53
3 VG+ £60
4 VG+ £60
4 F £70
5 VG+ £56
5 VG £46
5 F- £70
5 G/VG £35
6 G+ £18
9 F/VF £50
9 VG £28
9 VG- £26
10 VG £28
10 VG+ £36
10 F £37
10 VG/F £40
11 VF- £48
11 F+ £36
12 VG/F £28
12 VF £69
12 VG £21
14 VG/F £26
14 G/VG £15
15 VG £18
16 VF- £46
17 F/VF £40
17 F+ £34
18 F- £21
18 VG/F £26
19 F £28
21 F+ £35
22 VG £18
23 F/VF £30

GREEN LANTERN

23 VG £16
24 VG- £11
24 VG/F £21
24 G+ £10
25 F £23
25 VG £16
26 VF £50
26 VG/F £21
27 VG £16
28 F £26
29 F/VF £30
30 F+ £28
31 G/VG £10
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33 G/VG £10
33 F+ £24
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38 VG £14
39 F+ £24
40 G+ £38
42 VG+ £11
43 F- £12
43 VF £26
44 VG+ £12
45 VG/F £15
47 VF £28
48 VF £25
49 F/VF £18
50 VF+ £32
51 F+ £10
53 VF £17
56 VF- £12
57 VF £14
58 F+ £10
59 VF/NM £99
59 F/VF LOOSE BOTTOM STAPLE ... £40
60 NM £16
61 VF £17
62 VF £11
64 VF £11
66 VF/NM £12
77 VF- £15
79 VF £17
83 VF/NM £18
84 VF £14
85 NM+ £35
85 VF+ £24
85 VG/F £10
86 VF/NM £26
87 VF/NM £16

HOUSE OF MYSTERY

10 G £14
50 F £14
144 F/VF £21
148 VF+ £32
148 F/VF £14
152 VF+ £20
152 F/VF £15
153 VF £20
153 F+ £12
154 VF/NM £24
156 F+ £12
157 NM+ £36
157 NM- £28
162 VF/NM £17
164 VF+ £16
165 NM+ £24
167 VF+ £16
172 NM £20
173 NM+ £24

HOUSE OF SECRETS

57 NM+ £14
69 F- £10
71 VF £16
72 VF+ £20
72 F/VF £10
73 VF+ £70
74 VF £14
77 NM+ £24

JUSTICE LEAGUE

1 VG/F £462
1 FA £118
1 VG 1/2 IN TR BC £278
1 VG+ £429
2 VG £86
2 VG/F £125
3 G/VG £50
3 VG £60
3 VG+ £80
4 VG/F £70
5 G- £18
7 G- £14
7 G £16
7 FA £10
8 F+ £60
8 VG/F £36
8 VG+ £40
10 VG- £26
10 VG/F £47
12 F £35
13 VG £23
13 VG+ £35

JUSTICE LEAGUE

13 G/VG £19
14 G £10
14 VG- £20
15 VG+ £30
15 G £12
15 G+ £10
15 VF £76
16 G+ £10
16 G/VG £14
16 F £26
16 VG £18
17 VF/F £40
17 VG- £16
17 VG £17
19 VG £18
19 F £26
19 VF £43
19 G/VG £14
20 VG- £16
20 VF £43
20 F- £26
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20 VG £18
22 VG £28
23 VF £30
24 F+ £19
24 VG+ £11
24 VG £10
25 F+ £16
25 VF £30
25 VG £11
26 VF+ £38
26 VG £10
26 F £15
26 F- £14
27 F/VF £18
28 VF/NM £36
28 VG/F £16
30 VG+ £15
32 NM+ £28
32 NM- £22
32 NM £25
35 VF/NM £19
41 VF £12
43 VF/NM £12
44 NM £14
49 VF/NM £10
50 NM £12

MY GREATEST ADVENTURE

19 VG+ £23
20 VG/F £30
21 F £20
31 VG/F £12
33 VG+ £11
33 F- £10
82 VG- £15
82 VG £16
83 VG+ £21
83 F £26
83 VF £53
83 F+ £35
83 VG+ £21
84 VF £53

MYSTERY IN SPACE

6 F £73
7 VF £165
9 F+ £92
10 VG+ £60
13 VG+ 1 IN TR BC £36
13 VG £30
14 VG £30
21 VG £26
30 VG+ £20
30 VG/F 1/2 IN TR BC £34
31 VG/F £26
34 VG+ £70
35 F £24
35 F+ £36
35 VG- £15
35 G/VG £12
36 F- £26
37 VG/F £26
39 F+ £36
41 F- £24
41 VG £17
44 G/VG £12
44 VG/F 1 IN TR 1 PG £13
47 F/VF £33
48 VG- £15
50 VG- £16
51 F/VF £36
51 VG/F £19
51 VG- £15
53 VG+ £198
55 VG £28
59 G/VG £15
67 F+ 1 PC TAPE BC £16
68 VG/F £18
71 VG £14
74 F/VF £22
75 VG+ £37
75 F £40
76 F+ £20
79 VF £30
79 VF+ £37
80 VG+ £12
80 VF £30

MYSTERY IN SPACE

85 VF £17
87 G £10
87 F/VF £40
90 VG £10

SHOWCASE

4 VG £2500
22 G+ £264
22 FA £178
24 VG/F £224
27 F £132
27 VG- £53
28 F- £56
29 G+ £23
29 VG £43
30 G/VG £35
30 F- £99
31 F- £50
31 VG £37
34 VG+ £158
34 G- £79
35 F- £132
35 G+ £59
37 VG £72
40 VG- £23
40 VG £40
41 VG- £12
45 VG- £17
74 VG+ £11

STRANGE ADVENTURES

1 VG/F R, TRIMMED £264
2 VG+ £119
4 G+ £40
9 VG/F £192
13 VG £40
16 VG £40
19 F+ £73
25 VG £30
26 VF £99
28 F/VF £60
29 F- £40
35 VG/F £37
36 G- £12
36 VG £32
40 VF £83
42 F/VF £50
43 VF £83
47 F/VF £50
50 VG £24
83 F/VF £22
125 F/VF £12
147 F+ £14
157 VF- £12
165 NM+ £12
180 FA+ £15
180 VG £37
190 VG- £20
208 NM- £17
208 VF/NM £16
209 VF £14
212 VF £10
213 VF- £14
215 NM- £15
216 NM- £14

SUPERBOY

4 VF- £264
8 F+ £132
9 F £106
10 VG/F £99
11 VG+ £70
12 F £80
13 F/VF £112
14 F £80
15 VF- £119
18 F £56
19 VG/F £53
20 F £56
21 F/VF £63
23 F- £60
27 F- £46
29 F £43
34 F+ £56
39 F- £23
43 F/VF £35
53 VF- £35
59 VG+ £14
60 F/VF £30
61 VG/F £17
62 F/VF £23
65 VF- £27
66 F- £17
67 F/VF £23
70 VF £30
72 VF- £26
73 F+ £19
76 VG+ £14
77 VG+ £12
78 VG+ £17
83 F £11
85 F+ £14
86 G/VG £12
89 VG+ £35
91 VG/F £10
99 VF/NM £16
100 VG+ £30
100 F+ £43
100 F- £35
110 NM+ £12
112 VF £7

SUPERMAN

19 G/VG £100
20 FA+ £73
21 FA- £40
28 G/VG £73
29 G+ £70
33 VG+ £125
37 VG £73
38 VG+ £100
40 VG £66
40 F WRITING FC .. £93
40 F- £138
43 VG/F £106
45 VF- £158
49 VG £73
52 VG+ 1/2 IN SPS . £79
58 VG/F £86
65 F+ £118
70 F+ £118
90 F- £70
91 VG+ £37
92 F £50
94 F £56
97 VG/F CHIP OUT BC £46
99 VG/F £50
102 VG- £30
108 VG/F 1 IN TR LAST PG £40
108 F/VF £70
110 G+ £18
111 VG+ £37
112 F+ £53
114 F+ £53
115 F- £40
115 VG+ £30
118 F/VF £60
123 F £35
125 VG PC OUT BC £14
127 F- £30
127 F+ £40
127 VG/F £26
128 F- £26
128 VG+ £26
131 F+ 26
131 VG- £15
132 VG/F £20
132 VG £16
133 G/VG £12
133 VG+ £22
134 VG+ £22
135 VG £16
136 VG+ £22
136 F- £23
137 VG+ £17
137 VG+ £22
137 VG £14
137 G+ £10
138 F £23
138 VG- £15
138 VG/F £23
138 F- £23
139 VG 1 IN TR BC £15
139 F/VF £35
139 VG+ £22
139 G+ £10
139 VG+ £16
140 G+ £12
140 F+ £35
141 F+ £24
143 VG+ £17
143 F+ £23
143 VG- £10
144 VG/F £19
147 F+ 1 IN TR FC . £18
169 NM- £20
177 VF £15
179 VF £15
181 VF+ £12
183 VF £12
184 NM £14
190 VF/NM £12
196 VF/NM £12
199 F- £26
AN1 VG £65
AN2 G+ £22

SUPERMAN'S GIRL LOIS LANE

13 VG £14
14 VG £14
21 F/VF £17
21 VF+ £32
28 VF £20
48 VF £14
70 G/VG £23
70 G+ £20
AN2 VG/F £14

SUPERMAN'S PAL JIMMY OLSEN

17 VG- £23
43 F £10
48 VG+ £10

WORLD'S FINEST

15 VG £90
16 VG £99
20 VG/F £160
26 VG+ PC OUT BC £60
63 VG+ 3 SM CHIPS BC £26
64 G+ £17
68 VG+ £70
82 G/VG £19
85 F £36
94 VG £80
105 VG/F £18
106 VG £10
107 F+ £21
107 VG £17
108 VG- £12
108 F- £14
108 VF £29

WORLD'S FINEST

109 VG/F £15
109 F £17
110 VG/F £15
111 F+ £19
111 VG+ £12
112 F/VF £23
112 VF £29
112 VG/F £15
112 F £12
116 VG/F £17
120 VG+ £15
120 F £10
121 VG/F £14
121 VG £10
129 F £10
130 VF+ £16
132 VF £15
135 VF £15
139 VG/F £15
140 VF £15
156 F+ £20

EC'S CRIME SUSPENSTORIES

6 G+ £19
9 G/VG PC OUT BC £17
12 G+ £14
13 G/VG £18
14 VG- £18
15 VG £20
15 VG+ £24
16 VG £24
17 VG- £24

DANDY

4 VG £15

EXTRA

1 G/VG £10
2 VG/F £12

FRONTLINE COMBAT

1 FA/P £12
2 VG- £37
3 FA/G £12
6 VG £17

GUNFIGHTER

5 G £26
5 F £76

INCREDIBLE SCIENCE FICTION

30 VG £35
31 FA+ £14
31 FA £14
32 VG- £35

MAD

1 VG+ £495

PIRACY

1 VG+ £26
1 G/VG £16
4 VG+ £15
4 VG £14
6 VG+ £16

SHOCK SUSPENSTORIES

1 VG+ £80

TALES FROM THE CRYPT

22 G/VG £56
29 G- £20
34 G/VG £26
34 F/VF £73
37 VG- £35
38 VG+ £43
40 G/VG £26

TIP TOP

8 VG £16

TWO FISTED TALES

19 FA+ £26
19 FA £23
20 FA £16
21 FA £12
21 VG- PC OUT 1 PG £22
22 FA £10
22 G- £17
26 G+ £12
29 VG TAPED SPINE £10
40 VG+ £15
41 VG £12

VALOR

2 VG+ £26
2 VG/F £35
2 G/VG £20
3 VG- £15
3 F £22
3 VG- £16
4 VG+ £20
4 VG £15
5 G+ £10
5 F £22

VAULT OF HORROR

28 VG- £23
36 G/VG £18

WEIRD FANTASY

14 VG+ £46
14 G £25

WEIRD SCIENCE

17 VG+ £37
21 F- £63
21 G £23
22 G/VG PC OUT BC £26

MARVEL AVENGERS

1 VF+ TRIMMED ... £594
1 VF £792
3 VG+ ..... [illegible]
5 NM- £125
6 VF £70
7 F £30
7 VG/F £26
7 VG- £18
8 VG+ £22
8 VF/NM £75
10 VG+ ..... [illegible]
10 F+ £36
10 VF/NM £80
10 VG £22
10 F £30
10 G £12
11 NM+ £120
12 VF £50
12 F+ £35
12 VG+ £30
13 VG/F £17
13 VG- £12
13 VG £15
13 G/VG £10
13 VF/NM £30
13 VF £25
13 VG+ £20
13 VG/F £25
13 NM £65
14 VF/NM £50
14 VG- £12
14 F/VF £40
14 F- £20
14 NM £70
14 VF/NM £47
14 VF £37
15 F £22
15 NM- £56
15 VG- £14
15 NM- £63
15 VG+ £20
16 VG/F £23
17 VF/NM £27
17 VG+ £16
18 VG+ £10
18 VF+ £35
18 VG/F £12
18 VF £28
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21 VG+ £10
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22 F+ £15
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22 F/VF £10
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24 VF/NM £15
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27 NM- £19
27 VF/NM £15
29 VF+ £16
29 VF £14
29 F+ £10
30 NM- £19
31 VF+ £12
53 VF/NM £12
53 VF+ £10
94 VF- £12
95 VF+ £17
96 VF/NM £17

DAREDEVIL

1 VF+ £627
1 VG+ £250
3 VG £40
3 NM £165
3 VG/F £60
3 VG+ £53
4 NM- £93
5 VG/F £37
6 F/VF £40
6 VG/F £25
7 VG- £18
8 VG/F £25
8 VF £46
9 F/VF £30
9 F/VF £60
9 VG £14
9 G/VG £11
9 VG/F ..... [illegible]
10 F/VF £37
10 F- £18
10 VG+ £18
10 VF £35
11 VF/NM £26
11 VF £23
11 VG £10
12 VG/F £16
13 VG/F £15
14 VG/F £15
15 VG+ £10
16 F/VF £30
17 VF ..... [illegible]
18 VG+ £12
19 VG/F £12
19 VF/NM ..... [illegible]
19 VF £26
19 VG+ £12
20 F £10
20 F/VF £12
20 F- £11
20 VG+ £10
21 VF £12
21 VF/NM £15
22 VF £12
22 VF £10
23 VF £15
24 VF+ £16
27 VF £10
28 F+ £10

DAREDEVIL

29 VF £10
35 VF/NM £11
40 VF/NM £11

DOCTOR STRANGE

170 NM+ £26
170 VF £18
171 F- £10
171 VF £16
172 NM+ £26
173 VF+ £18
173 NM- £20
173 VF/NM £20
174 NM £23
176 VF/NM £20
177 VF £18
178 NM+ £23
179 F+ £15
179 VF/NM £20
180 VF+ £16
181 F+ £12
182 VF £14
182 F+ £12
183 VF £14

FANTASTIC FOUR

1 G/VG (R) £700
1 G/VG £895
3 F £295
7 VG STICKER OVER PRICE £80
7 FA/G £20
8 FA- ..... [illegible]
9 FA- £26
9 VF £240
9 F/VF £185
9 VG/F £140
13 VF+ £198
16 VG+ £48
19 F+ £70
19 VF/NM £145
20 VG- £37
20 G/VG £30
20 G/VG £26
20 VG/F £40
20 VG/F £60
21 VG/F £35
22 VF £50
22 F+ £35
23 VF+ £65
23 G+ £10
24 G/VG £18
24 VG/F £23
24 VG- £16
25 VF+ £185
26 VF £100
26 VG- £45
26 G £23
26 VG+ £60
28 VG £22
28 VG- £12
29 F- £16
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31 F- £16
34 VF £26
34 VG+ £15
35 VG/F £16
36 VG/F £16
37 VF £23
37 F+ £20
38 F+ £20
38 VF £28
38 VF+ £30
40 VF £21
40 VF £27
41 VF £20
43 F+ £18
44 F+ £17
44 NM £35
44 VF/NM £23
45 VF £20
46 VF/NM £26
46 F+ £10
46 VF £18
47 NM £26
47 VF- £17
48 G+ £60
48 NM £528
50 F+ £46
50 G+ £15
53 VF £21
54 VF+ £17
55 VF+ £23
55 VF £21
56 F+ £11
58 F/VF £18
59 NM £30
59 F+ £16
60 F/VF £17
60 VF £15
62 F/VF £11
62 VF £15
63 VF/NM £18
66 VG/F £23
67 VF+ £50
67 F+ £37
67 VG+ £20
68 VF/NM £18
69 VF- £12
70 VF- £12
77 VF+ £12
77 VF- £11
AN1 VF/NM £297
AN1 FA/G £10
AN2 VF+ £120
AN2 VF £115
AN2 VG- £24
AN2 VG+ £33
AN4 VF £23
AN5 NM £40
AN6 VF £18

SPIDER-MAN

4 G/VG £125
5 FA £46
7 FA+ £35
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The reality of retail 3: the revenge

Comment by Don Barr, Bedworth, Warwickshire

MARTIN Shipp has stated (*Comment: The Reality of Retail*, **Comics International 33**) that comic fans should read the advance previews catalogues, decide what they want, order the books from their local shop and make damned sure they pick them up. A good idea? I don't think so.

I suggest that it doesn't even work between the retailer and the wholesaler, so why should the consumer trust this system? The punter doesn't owe the retailer a living, full stop.

It is hard to feel sympathy for the retailers when you look at the prices they charge and don't talk about average 40% profit margins, 400% would be closer to the mark in many instances. That is not earning a living, it is simple rip off! Everybody knows it is, but is scared to say so.

I think Mike Conroy was nearer the mark when he said in the same issue that the guy who sells comics at marts to run his wife's car "should rethink his priorities".

I have been going to London marts for a number of years with a dealer friend of mine and can assure you that he has as much chance of taking £450 at a mart as I have of getting off with Kim Bassinger. If he needed that much turnover, he would have had to jack it all in years ago.

I have worked in the retail/service industries for the last 15 years, so I understand profit/loss/overheads, etc. But I would ask: do most retailers understand the word "service"? Many times I have stood in a comic shop and not been able to get to the goods because some "friend" or member of staff is slouched all over the stock telling an assistant what a bloody good time he had at so and so's party. I personally am not interested, all I want to do is pursue my hobby in peace. I bet there are a lot of people out there reading this who can sympathise with what I'm saying. Retail is no good without service! You cannot just open the doors and expect to do business.

I also believe that 90% of comic fans are introverts and 90% of retailers are extroverts. So many times I have stood in a shop and listened to the guy behind the counter telling some poor mouse that he should be reading a "right on" book like **Cerebus** or **Sandman** when probably all he the punter cares about is see how Spidey is doing this month. The mouse wants big guns and big fun, he probably has enough big glum at home! Isn't this what it's all about? Am I alone? Let the fans enjoy their hobby. If the dealers are having such a tough time they want to open a vein, let them please do so quietly.

It doesn't have to be this way.

Azrael and O'Neil: the brute and the hypocrite

Comment by Elizabeth Kaspar, Newquay, Cornwall

DC's decision to get rid of Bruce Wayne and replace him with a "far more brutal" (in the words of the title's editor) version of Batman, namely Azrael, (who has been trained to be an assassin from birth, and whose name, incidentally, signifies the Angel of Death in Mohammedan mythology), is complete and utter madness.

There is no way it is going to catch on with the general public — the sort of people who go to movies and buy T-shirts. This move also foolishly ignores the anti-violent-fiction backlash that is continuing to develop at present.

Hopefully the readers of **Comics International** are under no illusions as to the motives of the current **Batman** writers and those of the editor of the title, Dennis O'Neil.

The utter hypocrisy of this man is apparent when one compares what he has said in interviews and articles published in recent years with what he has fostered in the comics he edits.

O'Neil says in the interview published in **The Many Lives of the Batman** (Routledge, 1991), that Bruce Wayne/The Batman is among many other things, "The only person in the world who could do what he is doing". Then how, one may ask, can this Azrael dude possibly fill the same role?

O'Neil also said in the same interview: "He is not Dirty Harry. He is not Judge Dredd. He is, God knows, not Rambo, though some people want to make him that. I said this a couple of months ago to an audience in London and got the one spontaneous burst of applause I ever got in my life, which did my heart good. It shows there are some liberal humanists left out there".

One hopes that there are. But O'Neil has obviously stopped believing in them. If he ever did in the first place — and if it wasn't just PR and an attempt to cover himself against attack.

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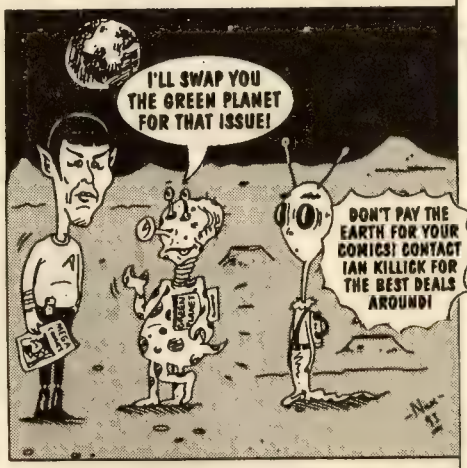
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But those who were not taken in by the emperor's new clothes nature of **The Dark Knight Returns** and copycat works, know that is what the current school of DC writers really intended all along. The only difference is that they appear to have stopped pretending otherwise.

In the postscript to *A Death in the Family*, published in November 1988, O'Neil writes that comics "must evolve". Far from having evolved, the Batman appears to have been regressing into a type of Neanderthal character over the past few years, and the introduction of Azrael has, if anything, completed the degeneration of the title.

The character of the Batman has been abused in recent years by people with unsavoury hidden agendas. Frank Miller and friends have simply been using the character to promote right-wing ideas, and to reinforce the selfish, socially blinkered, uncompassionate and totally ruthless attitudes that were fashionable in the Eighties but are looking increasingly out of date now.

The current editor and writers of the Batman title have merely been attempting to follow the lead of certain sections of Hollywood, and to jump on the right-wing bandwagon, because they perceived a market for such ideas. Moral and artistic considerations never came into it.

The Batman of the latter half of the Eighties and the Nineties has little true connection with the hero of the comics as they were for most of their history. Contrary to what most of today's smart-alec comics commentators would have you believe, the Batman of the majority of the Forties comics was basically a **Boy's Own**-style hero, looked up to by millions of youngsters. He was made a bit tougher in the Seventies, but it was still more or less the same idea.

However, due to the pretentious experimentation of Frank Miller and other writers, the Batman has degenerated from a character who was undeniably an admirable guy, every boy's idol and every girl's dream, to someone who is surely every sane person's nightmare, and is at best just an outlet for crude violent fantasies and the expression of reactionary ideas.

The Batman of the modern comics certainly has his fans, but these fall into two broad groups of misguided people: pretentious intellectuals who insist on reading highfalutin messages into pulp fiction and males under 30 who fervently believe in all the selfish ideas and the bombastic, emotionally stunted heroes of the Eighties, epitomised by the type of brainless movie characters played by people like Stallone and Schwarzeneggar.

Both these groups are people who should not really be reading superhero comics, because this genre in it uncorrupted form has nothing to offer them. Nothing that they would like, anyway. Not until the day they see sense and change their tastes and stop believing that violence is the only solution and that a guy who carries a big gun has a big dick, too. The relationship between the two is usually inverse.

The sardine-sellers' guide to comics

Comment by David Lee, Hackney, London

THOSE of us with memories longer than the average comics executives will recall the period in the mid-Eighties when the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles first appeared and umpteen inferior imitations followed.

We had Adolescent Radioactive Black-Belt Hamsters to the left of us and Miami Mice to the right of us, gerbils and koalas in martial arts poses covered the comic stands like a bizarre new fungus. That was, of course, until the market for such drivel collapsed under its own weight. The specialist shops had been saturated with these things and the speculators weren't interested any more — as for them being readable — *forget it*. The resulting implosion left few survivors — many independents were badly burned or went to the wall (some deservedly).

So what's this got to do with 1993? Well, I'll tell you, those times are back again — only now, instead of funny animals sporting samurai hardware, we've got equally ludicrous superhero teams.

It started with the Chris Claremont/Marvel X-empire. Now there are more and more titles coming out from smaller and smaller companies selling the same basic idea: **Youngblood, Brigade, Freex, Genetix, Hybrids** and many more are being churned out of the corporate sausage-machine. Even solo heroes who haven't made an impression are being conscripted into team books (DC's Justice League spin-offs, Valiant's **Rai and the Future Force** or **Secret Weapons**, Marvel's **Secret Defenders**, etc) in hope of getting a seat on the bandwagon.

The ingredients of this little sub-genre are simple enough: get a hot young artist who learned to draw by copying last week's hot young artist and who thinks he can script a story as well — it doesn't matter if he can't write to save his life, just as long as the characters are absurdly over-muscled, have mammary glands that could invade China and carry all sorts of flashy, improbable weaponry; a cast of heroes with one-word names (any word will do: Bishop, Jubilee, Walnut, Pillow) and the odd personality quirk tacked on — a violent psychopath here, a gay kleptomaniac there, etc. Add a hypeable new character whose debut issue becomes highly collectable (Cutlery Force issue 3 is going for £30 a time because it features the first appearance of Spoon) and dialogue of the Dirty Harry by Chris Claremont school of "okay punk"-ery. Throw in the old government conspiracy to give it all a veneer of right-on-ness and you're away. Of course, you'll also need a fervent, reality-defying belief that there's an

inexhaustible market for crap.

And at the moment there is a market for it, the speculator market: the people buying largely to make a profit on the "key" issues. The sales difference between **Youngblood** #1 and #2 proved that.

Given that the recession has hit the comics retail business but major companies are still planning a truly insane bombardment of new titles in the near future, this can only mean that a new implosion is on the cards, with some of the newer indies looking very vulnerable to bankruptcy.

This whole "never mind the quality check the price guide" ethos reminds me of the old Jewish joke about the cheap consignment of sardines that were sold on at a profit from one wholesaler to another until finally the one who ended up with them phoned the one he bought them from to complain. "Morrie, these sardines you sold me, I tried a tin last night and they tasted awful, nobody in their right mind would want to eat them." His supplier was aghast, "Harry," he replied, "those aren't eating sardines, they're selling sardines."

On tour with Cerebus

Comment by Steve Holland, Fantastic Store, Nottingham

FOR WELL over a year **Comics International**, **The Comics Journal** and **The Comic Buyers Guide** have all been saturated — and not without reason — with fearful predictions, indignant complaints and jaded weariness concerning the superhero explosion, speculator mania, over-priced covers, multi-crossovers, late publications, falling standards, store closures and bad publicity. Look at the list again. See a pattern?

As negativity breeds negativity, I would like to offer a fresh perspective addressed to readers, retailers and publishers, based on the forthcoming UK tour by **Cerebus** creators Dave Sim and Gerhard. If you don't currently read **Cerebus**, don't switch off, because if even half the plans we have lined up for the autumn bear fruit, this whole campaign is going to usher in several industry firsts, showing how creators and retailers can cooperate with each other, and how the profile of comics can be raised and expanded positively and productively in the minds of the public, to the benefit of all.

This September, Dave Sim and Gerhard will embark on a whirlwind tour of the UK, taking them from Salisbury to Aberdeen via London and the Midlands. This tour is being coordinated by Fantastic Store Nottingham's Mark Simpson and myself basically because we volunteered.

Like yourselves, we too were growing wary and weary of the way this industry seemed to be regressing. We were growing tired of gimmicks, price-hikes, crossovers and the narrow, often harmful publicity going out to an already misinformed public through over-exaggerated four-colour deaths and the rise of the amateur speculator. Unlike others, however, we were sick of being tired of it, and decided to do something about it.

When Dave Sim announced in print his first trip to the UK in seven years, we were determined to use this opportunity not only to promote one of the sharpest comics this medium has ever witnessed, but also to show the diversity that this unique and eclectic artform offers.

By stocking a wide range, retailers can appeal to a diverse range of customers and maximise on potential sales, while improving the conditions for such publications and encouraging further diversity. This in turn brings in an even wider customer base. It's not a vicious circle, it's a positive cycle.

But it is only by persuading a much larger public that we have something to offer, that this medium will really gain the opportunity it deserves to expand. **Cerebus** seemed to us to be the ideal place to start because its sales were already rising and Dave Sim himself is one of the most positive campaigning creators around.

We began to send feelers out to other stores with an equally strong reputation for stocking independent titles, and the response was so overwhelmingly positive that it quickly snowballed into one of the largest and widest independent tours this country has ever seen.

Dave himself came up with an imaginative campaign to pick up on the momentum of his US tour's success and this was incorporated and expanded into a whole strategy to fuel the fire in advance of the signings.

Already we've seen the release of **Cerebus** #0, a companion to the reprint volumes which is also a perfect introduction to newcomers; we've established a national distribution system whereby all the reprint books remain constantly in stock in all tour stores (sold to us at such excellent terms that we can offer great discounts); each store is printing up T-shirts without any licensing charge, thereby undercutting most imports by some £4 a shot and doing similar with posters, stickers, badges, etc.

All of this means that **Cerebus** is on shelves, on the streets and giving readers the best value for money possible. At the same time, it's earning participating retailers funds for phase two.

For the first time ever, retailers and a creator are co-sponsoring a series of advertisements to put those shops and one comic into the public eye. Such co-operation and cross-pollination is long overdue. The idea was Mark's from The Chain With No Name, a loose cartel of independent record stores which advertise LPs with premiums such as limited edition 7" singles available only at those stores.

Already, the signs are good. During the first two and half *days* of publication, in our store alone, **Cerebus #0** sold 200 copies. In these last two *weeks* it has sold 400 copies. It took two months and five covers for us to sell 350 copies of **X-Men** #1, so this really is a record worth thinking about. Nor was it a fluke. You should see the sales of the reprint volumes. **Cerebus** is now one of our top five sellers, because we campaigned to get it into the shelves and read.

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stop other creators and stores doing the same? Nothing. Just as I hope every store in the country has benefitted by our campaign advertising **Cerebus** in **Comics International** so I hope others take a good look at the possibilities of such cooperation in the future.

We don't have to sit back and watch our industry become smothered in gunk bonds, or watch our customers bleed themselves penniless on over-priced hype.

It doesn't take much to sort the whole thing out. From the publisher some positive thinking, imagination, cooperation and commitment; and from the customer an open mind.

Women in comics: what raw deal?

Comment by Michael Leddy, Drumshanbo, Ireland

JUDGING by recent *Comment* contributors, the subject of the portrayal of women in comics would appear to be en vogue.

Russell Bloor remarked on their names and costumes, so did David Sage and Ronan Kane. All three writers (for their own reasons) were critical of the way women are treated in comics. Most of what these gentlemen said was probably correct, but all of what they said was so superficial that it rendered their arguments inconsequential.

I happen to believe women get a better deal in comics than in other forms of storytelling, but to see this you have to avoid tunnel-vision and look beyond names and costumes.

These three wise men (well, one was a Sage!) confined themselves to one type of comic: the superhero comic, the type that dominates the market. I prefer to look at other forms of story telling — films, television, books, etc.

Let's begin with some *truths*. Women in comics aren't as well portrayed as men in comics. But women in films and tv aren't as well portrayed as men either.

But the vast majority of women in comics are be extremely heroic individuals. They fight against injustice, they conquer evil, they save lives (often the lives of their male team-mates). In short: they are admirable.

The majority of females in other areas of entertainment are little more than insignificant and woefully unimportant. They get captured, they go topless! In short: they are extremely pathetic individuals. Helpless non-entities who bear no relation to the women we meet in every day life.

Conclusion: sexism in comics is not as bad as sexism elsewhere. *Is not as bad* being the key phrase. Sure, there is sexism and we should draw attention to it with a view towards eliminating it. But it is nothing compared to the cliched *helpless-female* that exists everywhere else. That is real sexism, not these scantily-clad heroines. Because whatever they may wear, and whatever name they choose, they are still heroines. Dynamic, important characters possessing resourcefulness, ingenuity, bravery and fighting ability.

To talk about sexism in comics in terms of names and costumes is like talking about the art of Leonardo Da Vinci in terms of picture frames!

How the characters dress is irrelevant. The fact is: both men and women wear tight-fitting, impractical outfits, if they are characters in superhero fiction. That is just the way it is, It is an integral part of the genre. In the same way: both men and women regularly burst into song if they are characters in a musical. That is just the way it is, an integral part of the genre.

But why are female costumes so revealing? Probably for the same reason magazine and newspaper photos regularly feature actresses and models in revealing outfits. Namely: the female body is attractive. Nothing sinister about that. And some people highlight that attractiveness. Nothing sinister about that either!

David Sage remarks that only six of the Marvel/DC solo series star women. *Only* six, David? How many US tv series have a female lead? During the last tv season there weren't many. For most of the time just one in *Murder, She Wrote!*

The other shows are sit-coms, male-hero dramas and ensemble dramas. The ensemble dramas (some being soaps) might feature credible, well written female characters but these ladies won't be as vital or impressive as their sisters in comics. How many times has Spidey been saved by a costumed heroine? Now ask yourself how many times did Uhura save Captain Kirk? When was the last time you saw any Schwarzeneggar, Willis or Seagal type characters get saved by the female lead?

Staying with film, let's count the number of female characters who are as admirable as the ones in comic books. Straightforward heroism here, not well-written angst. First there are *China O'Brien* star Cynthia Rothrocks' characters, then there's Ripley fighting those aliens. Then you have... err, did I mention Cynthia Rothrocks?

To sum up: the names and the clothes are unimportant, what matters is that comic book heroines are repeatedly written as the equals of men, and truly heroic people worthy of admiration for the qualities written into them. If that's sexism at its worst, I'm a Rob Liefeld fan!

Smart sweets from Image

Comment by Jim Graham, West Wickham, Kent

"You gotta be dumb to buy smart sweets". This quotation was taken from one Otto Sump, antagonist of Judge Dredd. In the story *Smart Sweets*, Otto hits upon the idea of selling a range of sweets, making no claim that they would make you more intelligent, but rather mentioning the slight possibility.

As a result, the entire population of Mega-City One stocked up on Smart Sweets, convincing themselves that they had discovered the new wonder drug.

But that is just a comic and has no bearing on real life, does it?

It makes me chortle reading all these articles describing how these 'orrible Image fellows conned the entire western world into buying a lot of, for want of a gross generalisation, crap.

Even good old Skinny Melink, the retailer's hero, announced how he valiantly ripped up his copy of **Youngblood** 1 and posted it back to Image to make a (gasp) statement. I have just one thing to say to every person reading this who was disappointed in Rob Liefeld's writing of **Youngblood**... I didn't buy it.

Investment in comics has to be the saddest thing anyone can indulge in. Although I don't pretend for one minute that greed hasn't got the better of me a couple of times. Let's think this over in simple economics: of the vast **Superman** 75 print run, lots must have been tucked away by comic shops.

Thus, in the short term, no retailer is going to want your 20 bagged editions. While in the long term, who is going to remember about yet another Death of Superman story in five years time? I bought the first part of Alan Moore's Death last year for 35p.

So, did DC con everyone into thinking that this was going to be the last ever Superman story? Or was it just that people fell in love with the idea of making a lot of money in a short space of time.

The only ways the private investor can make money in comics is to either play the con-man yourself or be very, very lucky. Your average 13-50 year old will lose money, but will retain an odd mix of various first appearances, funny covers and some-such gimmicks. Not much of a read on a rainy day, is it?

The best way to make money is to own a comic like **Love and Rockets 1**, with a print run of 10 and printed on toilet paper. If you have to try and invest, buy everything that hasn't been hyped; you may not make more money than the next man, but you'll certainly have a more unique and interesting collection.

I cannot see how any rational human being can condemn Image in all seriousness. They have sold millions of comics to millions of people and made the majority of them happy to a certain extent.

Most people got a real kick out of seeing all these "hot" creators leave Marvel like rats from a sinking ship. It was the old cynic in all of us, laughing at the poetic justice of it all. And of course that cynic assured us that it would be tears before bedtime. Rob, Todd and little weed would be back asking Unca Stan for a job before Christmas.

But different people did different things. Todd McFarlane set out to try and prove he was an all-round serious creator (and was unfortunately proved wrong) while Rob Liefeld decided that he was going to use his God-given talent to make as much money as possible. I challenge every single person who is reading this now and earning a salary to say that that is any more wrong than what they are doing now. The cynic in us was proven wrong, and even if Image doesn't last out 1993, we can be assured that its creators will have a much wider choice to work for than Marvel.

Don't the ramifications of all what is happening interest anyone else? The more you think about it, the more fascinating it becomes. Think about all the literature that has been written about Image over the past two years. Compare that to something considered more honourable, say **Cerebus**. If you took every interview, every comment made about Image in just this small amount of time, you'd have a book of quite some magnitude. About **Cerebus** you could probably fill one issue of *Comics International* if you looked hard enough.

Image means something. It has altered the perception of the comics industry in ways we are only now even beginning to understand. Before 1992, creator-ownenship was the domain of cuddly, nice people like Dave Sim, Wendy Pini and the Hernandez Brothers. Now it's being thrust down our throats.

I am awed at the existence of something like *Extreme Studios*, a machine designed to recreate the style of one man, only just out of nappies. Andy Warhol is the poor man's Rob Liefeld. I don't think I would agree if you say (as some have) that Rob Liefeld is a latter-day Jack Kirby, but he is certainly a latter-day D.W Griffith, remembered more for what he gave rise to than his specific creations. History will remember him.

But then, the cynic in me kept me from reading any Image titles at all until I realised that they were producing some stuff that appealed to me. Above all, Image has been responsible for reminding us that this is a comics *industry*; a money making machine as much as the steel or oil industries. True quality can occasionally subdue that financial need for a while, but ultimately it is a guessing game between what the consumer wants and what the supplier can sell.

Art is dead: Viva Rob Liefeld!

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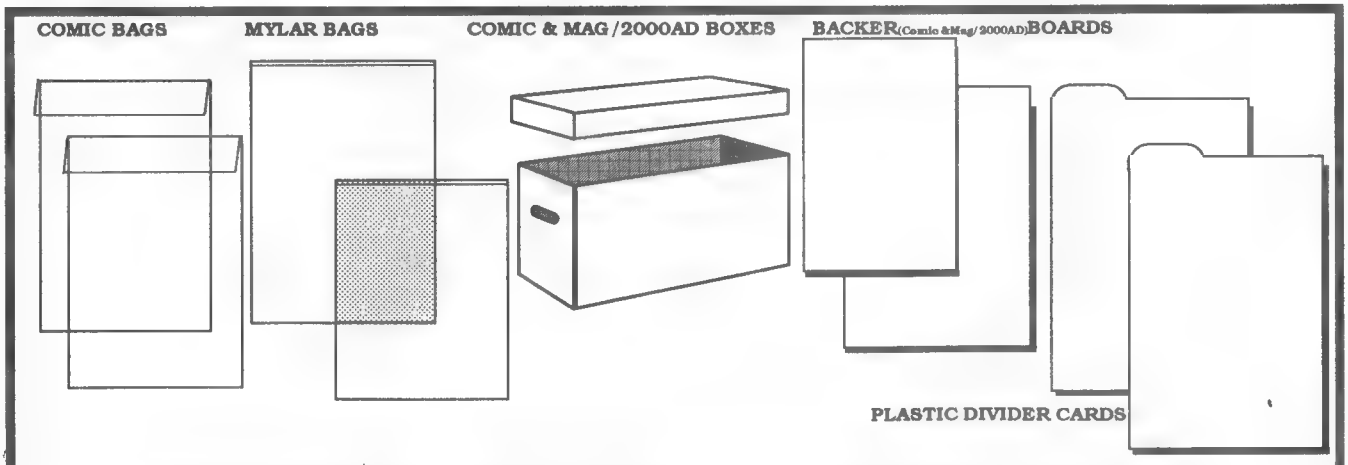

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merch	= comics-related trading cards, T-shirts, posters, models, etc
ind	= US independent comics (non-newsstand titles)
Brit	= British comics & albums
frgn	= foreign language comics
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■ **Platinum Age Comics/Bayswater Books**, 27 Craven Terrace, Lancaster Gate, London W2 3EL. Mon - Sat 11-7 (but sometimes till midnight!) (back, ind, u/g, general 2nd hand books, search service) 071 402 7398

■ **Secondhand Bookshop**, 20 Eldon Street, City of London, EC2M 7LA (outside Liverpool St station). Mon - Fri 10.30-6.00 (comics & graphic novels)

■ **Stateside Comics PLC at Hamleys**, 4th Floor, 188/196 Regent Street, London W1 6BT. Mon-Wed 10-6.30; Thur 10-8; Fri 10-7; Sat 9.30-7; Sun 12-6 (imp, back, ind, gn merch, Brit, STO) 071-287 3097

NEW **Stateside Comics PLC at Virgin Megastore**, 14 Oxford Street, London W1N 9FL. Mon-Sat 9.30-8; Sun 12-7 (imp, back, ind, s-p, merch, Brit, gn, STO) 071-637 4066 (fax 071 637 3966)

■ **Stateside Comics PLC at Virgin**, 1st Floor, Virgin Marble Arch, 527-531 Oxford St, London W1. Mon-Wed & Fri 9.30-7.30; Thurs 9.30-8; Sat 9-7.30; Sun 12-7 (imp, back, ind, s-p, merch, Brit, gn, STO) 071-499 8839

■ **Top Ten Soho**, Unit 3, 9-12 St Anne's Court, Soho, London W1V 3AX. Mon - Sat 10 - 6; Sun 12 - 5. (imp, back, s-p, merch, ind, Brit, frgn, u/g, STO) 071-734 7388

OUTER LONDON

■ **Altered Images**, 6 The Arcade, High St, Sutton, Surrey SM1 1ET. Mon-Wed & Fri 10-5.30; Thurs 10 - 6.30; Sat 9 - 6 (imp, back, ind merch, Brit, gn, STO, RPG) 081 770 3815

■ **Andy's Comic Cavern**, Windsor Open Market (back of Woolworth's), Bachelors Acre, Windsor. Sats only 7.30-4.00 (imp, back, ind, gn, STO) Free delivery for Windsor & Slough area. 0753 853381

■ **Atomic Comics**, 1112 High Rd, Chadwell Heath, Romford, Essex RM6 4AH. Mon-Sat 10 -6 excl Fri 10-7 (imp, back, s-p, ind, merch, u/g, Brit, gn, STO, 2nd hand horror fantasy sf bks, original art) 081-597 8547

■ **Calamity Comics**, 160 Station Road, Harrow, Middlesex HA1 2HR. Mon-Wed 10-6, Thurs & Fri 10-7; Sat 9.30-6 (imp, back, s-p, merch, ind, u/g, Brit, gn, STO, fantasy tv & film bks & merch, Sega & Nintendo game cartridges, videos) 081-427 3831

NEW **Calamity Comics 2**, 90 Queens Road, The Broadway, Watford, Herts WD1 2LA. Mon-Wed 10-5.30; Thurs & Fri 10-7; Sat 9.30-5.30 (imp, back, s-p, merch, ind, u/g, Brit, gn, STO, fantasy tv & film bks & merch, videos) 0923 249293

■ **Comic Shack**, 720 High Road, Leytonstone, London E11 3NN. Mon-Thurs 9.30-5.30; Fri & Sat 9.30-5.30; Sun 11-5.30. Also by appointment (imp, back, s-p, merch, u/g, gn, hbks) 081-539 7260 / 081-555 9303 (eve)

■ **Dynamic Comics**, Units 43-47, In Shops Centre, 68 Church Street, Croydon, Surrey CR0 1RB. Mon - Sat 9 - 5.30 (imp, back, ind, s-p, Brit, u/g, gn, STO, merch) phone & fax 081-681 2597

■ **Edge of Forever, The**, 82 b Broadway, Bexleyheath, Kent DA6 7LW. Mon-Wed 10-6; Thurs 10-7; Fri 10-8; Sat 9-6 (imp, back, s-p merch, ind, Brit, gn, STO) 081-298 1363

■ **Gary's Book & Comic Stall**, Site A65, The High Street, Walthamstow, London E17. Thur + Fri 10-5; Sat 8-5.30. Tube: Walthamstow Central (imp, back, s-p, ind, gn, STO, annuals, children's books)

■ **Graphically Speaking**, 49 Roman Road, London E2. Mon-Wed & Sat 11-6; Thur-Fri 11-7; Sun 11-5 (imp, back, s-p, merch, u/g, Brit, ind, STO, gn) 081 983 4602

■ **Krypton Komics**, 252 High Rd, Tottenham, London N15 4AJ (next to Tesco) Mon-Wed 10-6; Thur-Fri 9.30-7; Sat 9-6. Tube: Seven Sisters Road. (imp, back, s-p, ind, gn, STO) 081-801 5378

■ **Readers Dream**, 100A Harlington Road West, Feltham (near Heathrow airport) Middx TW14 0JJ. Mon-Sat 9.30-6.00 excl Wed - closed (imp, back, gn, STO) 081-844 0780

■ **Skinny Melink's**, 66 Loampit Vale, Lewisham, London SE13. Mon-Thur 11- 6.30; Fri 11-7; Sat 10-6.30; Sun 11-4 (imp, back, ind s-p, u/g, gn, STO) 081-318 0499

■ **South London Book Centre**, 18-19 Stockwell Street, Greenwich, London SE10 9JN. Mon-Fri 10-6; Sat & Sun 9am-5.30pm (imp, back, ind, gn, u/g, 2nd hand & new SF-horror-fantasy novels, art bks, bargain bks, remainders) 081 659 9714 or 081 853 2151

■ **Stateside Comics PLC**, 125 East Barnet Road, Barnet, Herts EN4 8RF. Mon-Wed 10.00-7.00; Thur-Fri 10.00-8.00; Sat 9.00-6.00; Sun 10.00-3.00 (later by appointment). (imp, back, s-p, ind, u/g, Brit, frgn, tv-film & fantasy, gn, STO) 081-449 5535

■ **They Walk Among Us**, 30 Union Court, Sheen Rd, Richmond, Surrey TW9 1AA. Mon-Sat 9.30-5.30 excl Fri 9.30-6 (imp, merch, back ind, Brit, u/g, gn, fantasy/s-f/horror books, sub-culture, STO, wants lists welcomed) Phone/fax 081 948 8476

■ **Time Trek**, 46 High Street, Bromley, Kent BR1 1TR. Mon - Sat 9 - 5.30 (late Thurs to 8) (imp, back, s-p, merch, ind, Brit, u/g, gn, sf TV & film related merch, STO) 081 313 0677

■ **Westside Comics**, 396 Uxbridge Road, Hayes, Middlesex UB4 0EL. Mon-Sat 10-6, late Thurs-Fri to 6.30. (imp, back, ind, Brit, gn, STO). 081-813 5019

SOUTH EAST

■ **Asylum Comics**, t/a Grosvenor News, 64 Grosvenor Road, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN1 2AS. Mon - Sat 9.00 - 6.00, Sun 9.00 - 2.00. (imp, back, gn, frgn, ind, Brit, STO, wants lists welcome) 0892 521827

■ **American Comic Enterprise**, 1 Headgate Buildings, St John's Street, Colchester, Essex C02 7AD. Mon - Sat 10.00am - 5.30pm. (imp, back, s-p, merch, ind, u/g, Brit, gn, STO, RPG, rock t-shirts) 0206 561 912

■ **Cartoon Shop**, Upper Galleries, Eastgate Shopping Centre, Basildon, Essex. Mon - Wed & Sat 10-6, Thurs & Fri 10-8 (imp, back, s-p, ind, merch, Brit, u/g, gn, RPG) 0268 534194

■ **Cartoon Shop**, 21-22 Talza Way, Lower Ground Floor, Victoria Circus Centre, Southend-on-Sea, Essex. Mon - Sat 9.30 - 5.30 (imp, back, s-p, ind, merch, Brit, u/g, gn, RPG) 0702 613021

■ **The Comic Rocket**, 75a Camden Road, Tunbridge Wells, Kent. Mon-Wed 10 - 4.30; Thur-Fri 10 - 7.30; Sat 9.30 - 5.30 (imp, back, ind, s-p, merch, gn, u/g, STO) 0892 518771

■ **Comic Showcase**, 19-20 St Clements St, Oxford. Mon-Sat 10-6 (imp, back, s-p, ind, merch, u/g, gn, STO) 0865-723680

■ **Excaliber Comics**, 24 The Hornet, Chichester, West Sussex PO19 4JG. Mon - Fri 10 - 5.30; Sat 9 - 6 (imp, back, ind, s-p, gn, merch, Brit, STO, RPG, videos) 0243 537070

■ **Fantastic Store**, 14 Gardner St, Brighton BN1 1PL. Mon-Wed 9.00-6.00; Thur 9.00-8.00; Fri-Sat 9.00-6.00 (imp, back, ind, s-p, u/g, gn, Brit, STO) 0273 25300

■ **Incognito Comic Shop**, 14 Starnes Court, Union St, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1EB. Mon-Fri 10-5.30; Sat 9-5.30 (imp, back, ind, merch, gn, Brit, STO, film/tv related merch) 0622-683642

■ **Paperback Reader**, 82 Queens Road, Hastings, TN34 1RL. Mon-Sat (closed Wed) 9-5.30. (imp, back, ind, Brit, gn, STO, assorted 2nd hand ppbks) 0424 446749

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MIDLANDS

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■ **Arrival Comics & Books**, 2 Broad Street, Wolverhampton, WV1 1HP. Mon-Thur 10.30-5.30; Fri-Sat 9.30-5.30. (imp, back, s-p, ind, u/g, Brit) 0902-313 660

■ **Bookworm**, Unit 3, 33-39 Tower Street, King's Lynn, Norfolk. Mon-Sat 11.00 - 4.00 (back, ind, u/g, Brit, gn, fantasy & sf, early Penguins, general fic & non-fic, records) 0553 760904/771880

■ **Central City Comics**, 4 Eagle Street, Ipswich, Suffolk IP4 1JB. Mon - Sat 10.00 - 6.00. (imp, back, s-p, merch, ind, u/g, Brit, frgn, gn, STO) 0473 233017

■ **Comics Unlimited**, 4 Clair Court, Lime Street, Bedford MK40 1NH. Mon - Sat 9.30 - 5.30. (imp, back, s-p, merch, ind, gn, Brit, u/g, STO, RPG) 0234 218984

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■ **Fantastic Store**, 6 Suffolk St, Queensway, Birmingham, B1 1LT. Mon-Fri 9.30 - 6.00; Sat 9.00 - 6.00 (imp, back, ind, u/g, s-p, gn, Brit, STO) 021 643 3667

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■ **Nowhere Comics**, Units 7-8 Guildhall Mews, Goodall St, Walsall. (top end of market) Mon-Thur 10.30-5.30, Fri-Sat 9.30-5.30 (imp, back, s-p, merch, ind, Brit, u/g, gn, STO, videos) 0922 643352

■ **Nostalgia & Comics**, 14-16 Smallbrook, Queensway, Birmingham. Mon - Thurs 9.15 - 5.45, Fri + Sat 9.15 - 6.00 (imp, back, merch, gn, ind, s-p, u/g, Brit, STO) 021 643 0143

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■ **Outer Limits**, 12 King Street, Luton LU1 2DP. Mon-Sat 9 - 6; Thurs late night until 8. (imp, back, s-p, merch, ind, Brit, u/g, gn, STO, RPG, videos) 0582 422082

■ **Outer Limits**, 43 Kettering Road, Northampton. Mon-Sat 10.00 -6.00 (imp, back, s-p, merch, ind, Brit, u/g, gn, STO, RPG, videos) 0604 601555

■ **Planet X**, 5 London Road, Worcester. Fri-Sat only 10-6 (imp, back, merch, ind, Brit, u/g, STO-monthly) Phone/fax: 0905 355055

■ **Stateside Comics PLC at Virgin**, Virgin Megastore, 1st Floor, 98 Corporation Street, Birmingham B4 6SX. Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat 9.00-6.00; Tues 9.30-6.00; Thurs 9.00-8.00. (imp, back, s-p, ind, Brit, tv film & fantasy bks, gn, merch, STO) 021 236 5735 fax: 021 236 8153

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NORTH WEST

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■ **Box 5 News**, 19 Blakey Moor (near Waves), Blackburn, Lancs BB2 1LL. Mon-Sat 7am-6pm (imp, Brit, STO, g-n) 0254 698020

■ **Imagination Station**, Unit 28, Portland Shopping Centre, Botchergate, Carlisle, Cumbria CA1 1NT. Mon - Sat 9 - 5.00 (imp, back, s-p, merch, ind, Brit, gn, STO)

■ **Odyssey 7**, 21 Hanging Ditch, Corn Exchange Buildings, Manchester M4 3ES. Mon - Sat 9.30am - 5.30pm. (imp, back, sf-fantasy-horror books, postcards, videos, badges, soundtracks, stills, LF filmbooks, Star Trek, Doctor Who) 061 832 7044

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■ **Sartori Comics**, The Assembly Rooms, King Street, Lancaster. Thurs-Fri 10.00 - 4.30pm (imp, back, merch, ind, Brit, gn, STO) 0524 733943 (after 6pm)

■ **Thunderbooks**, 332 Lytham Rd, Blackpool. 10-5.30 Tues, Thurs-Sat all year; Mon-Sun in season (closed Wed). Out of season open Wed, closed Sun-Mon. (imp, s-p, back, merch, ind, limited u/g, Brit, frgn, kits, gn, t-shirts, media collectors' items) 0253-48321

■ **Thunderbooks II**, 116 Friargate, Preston, Lancs. Mon-Sat 9.30-5.30 (imp, back, s-p, merch, ind, limited u/g, Brit, frgn, gn, kits, t-shirts, media collectors' items) 0772-204287

■ **The Time Tunnel**, 66 Edleston Road, Crewe, Cheshire CW2 7HD. Mon - Sat 10.00am - 5.30pm excl Weds. (imp, back, merch, ind, Brit, gn, model kits, toys, action figures, Doctor Who, Star Trek)

■ **Worlds Apart**, Acorn Gallery, 16 Newington (city centre), Liverpool L1 4ED. Mon - Sat (excl Wed) 10-6; Wed 12-6 (imp, back, ind, merch, s-p, u/g, Brit, gn, STO, fantasy film mags) 051 707 0839

NORTH EAST

■ **Armadillo**, 16-22 Anlaby Road, Hull, North Humberside HU1 2PA. Mon-Sat 10-6; late Thur-Fri to 8 (imp, back, s-p, merch, ind, Brit, gn, u/g, STO, videos, ppbks) 0482 29787

■ **Books N' Comics**, Unit 15, Forbes Building, Linthorpe Road, Middlesborough, Cleveland TS1 4AW. Mon-Sat 10-5.30 (imp, back, s-p, merch, ind, u/g, gn, STO, fantasy gn, film mags, Dr Who, Trek) 0642 249143

■ **Books N' Comics**, Unit 8, Regency West Mall, Princes Regent Street, Stockton-on-Tees, Cleveland. Mon-Sat 10-5.30 (imp, back, s-p, ind, merch, u/g, gn, STO, fantasy gn, film mags, Dr Who, Trek) 0642 617241

■ **Dells Comic & Book Stalls**, 129 Kirkgate Market, Bradford 1. Mon-Sat 9-5 excl Wed 9-3 (imp, back, merch, ind, gn, STO, horror masks, tv fantasy mags) 0274 390 541

■ **Happy Planet**, Rocks Off, 85 Westgate, Bradford, West Yorkshire BD1 2RD. Mon - Fri 10.00 - 5.30, Sat 9.30 - 6.00 (imp, back, merch, ind, s-p, Brit, STO) 0274 736 292

■ **Hysteria Comics**, Unit 2, The Arches, Park Road, Hartlepool, Cleveland TS24 7PH. Mon-Sat 9-5 limp, back, s-p, ind, merch, u/g, gn, STO, film mags) 0429 236952

■ **Nu Earth Comics**, 4 Davygate Centre, York Y01 2SU. Mon - Fri 10 - 5.30; Sat 9 - 5.30 (imp, back, s-p, merch, ind, u/g, Brit, gn, STO, RPG, art bks) 0904 611 461

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WEST COUNTRY

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■ **Floppy Tongue Comics**, 96 Fisherton Street, Salisbury, Wiltshire SP2 7QY. Mon-Fri 11.30-5.30; Sat 9-5.30 (imp, back, s-p, merch, ind, Brit, u/g, gn, STO) 0722 331107

■ **The Hobbit Hole**, 9 Commercial Road, Gloucester. Mon 12-5.30; Tues-Sat 10-5.30. (imp, back, merch, ind, Brit, frgn, gn, STO, T-shirts, film-tv mags + merch) 0452 309 533

■ **Joy's Comics**, 25 High East Street, Dorchester, Dorset DT1 1EZ. Mon - Sun 7.30 - 6. (imp back, s-p, merch, ind, Brit, frgn, u/g, gn) 0305 269737 (after 6pm 833304)

■ **Kathies Comics**, 20 Market Avenue, Plymouth, PL1 1PH. Mon - Fri 9.30 - 5.30; Sat 9.00 - 5.30. (imp, back, s-p, merch, ind, Brit, gn, STO) 0752 257800

■ **Maelstrom Comics** (within Apostrophe Records), 66 Bedminster Parade, Bedminster, Bristol. Mon-Sat 10-6. (imp, back, s-p, small merch, ind, u/g, gn, STO) 0272 633523

■ **Purple Haze**, 58 Eastlake Walk, Drake Circus, Plymouth, PL1 1BX (imp, back, ind, merch, Brit, u/g, gn, STO) 0752 254136

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■ **Wonderworld**, 25 Albert Road, Southsea, Portsmouth PO5 3SQ. Tues-Sat 10-2, 3-6. (imp, back, ind, merch, Brit, gn, STO, FRPG & miniatures) 0705 833 272

ISLE OF WIGHT

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WALES

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SCOTLAND

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■ **Black Hole Comic Shop**, The Market Hall, Wellgate Centre, Dundee. Mon - Sat 9.00 - 5.30 (imp, back, ind, u/g, STO) 0382 21037

■ **City Centre Comics**, 31-35 Parnie St, Glasgow G1. Mon-Sat 10.00-5.30, Sun 12-5. (back issues only) 041 552 6692 or 041-632 2786 after 6pm

■ **Earth 2 Comics**, Argyle Shopping Centre, 28 Argyle St, Glasgow G2 8AD. Fri-Sat 10.00-5.00; Sat 10-5.30. (back, gn, ind, merch) 041-647 6810 (after 6pm)

■ **Forbidden Planet**, 2 - 3 Tevipt Place, Edinburgh, EH1 2QZ. Mon - Sat 10.00 - 5.30, excl Thurs till 6.30. (imp, s-p, merch, ind, Brit, frgn, gn, STO) 031-225 8613

■ **Forbidden Planet**, 168 Buchanan Street, Glasgow G1 2LW. Mon - Wed 10 - 5.30; Thurs + Fri 10 - 6; Sat 10 - 5.30. (imp, back, s-p, ind, merch, u/g, Brit, gn, STO) 041 331 1215

■ **Future Shock**, 89 Byres Road, Partick, Glasgow G11. Mon-Sat 10-6; Sun 1-5 (imp, back, merch, ind, u/g, Brit, gn, STO, SF & horror gn & hbk, film bks & mags, artwork, jewellery) 041 339 8184

■ **Kaos Komics and Kollectables**, 19 Diamond Street, Aberdeen AB1 1QU. Mon-Sat 10-6; Thurs till 8; Sun 12-4 (imp, back, s-p, ind, Brit, gn, STO, jewellery, crystals, t-shirts) 0224 620212

■ **Stateside Comics PLC at Virgin**, 28-32 Union Street, Glasgow, G2 7LZ. Mon, Wed, Fri & Sat 9-6; Tues 9.30-6; Thurs 9-7; Sun 12-5.30. (imp, back, ind, s-p, merch, Brit, gn, STO) 041 221 2915; Fax 041 221 2916

■ **Plan 9 Comics**, 9 Rosemount Viaduct, Aberdeen AB1 1NE. Mon - Sat 9.30 - 5.30 (Thurs till 8), Sun 1 - 5. (imp, back, merch, ind, Brit, u/g, gn, RPG specialist, board games, figures, STO) 0224 624467

NORTHERN IRELAND

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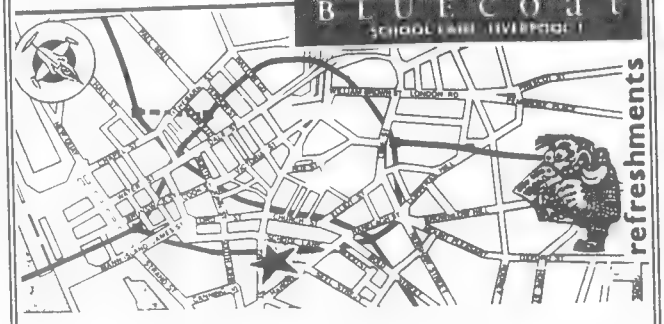

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DC COMICS

Action Comics 690 <+> (Stern & Guice + Rodier) The origins of the Kryptonian super-imposter are revealed — no surprise there — and the real Superman returns as things in Coast City get even worse. The *Reign* storyline is really building a head of steam, now. (RH) **8**

Adventures of Superman 503 <+ -> (Kesel & Grummett + Vey) The rogue Superman attempts to kill off Superboy after destroying Coast city. An action issue by and large, but made more interesting by the kid of Steel's teen attitude. Grummett's art is outstanding — a Perez for the Nineties. (RH) **8**

Animal Man 62 <+ -> (Vertigo; Delano & Pugh) Featuring a cover that is both amusing and frightening — Bolland's dark side to *Watership Down*'s Bright Eyes. The animal kingdom goes wild, Buddy is about as much use as a sardine with its own key and Cliff falls in love. Great stuff. (RH) **9**

Batman 499 <-> (Moench & Aparo + Hanna) While the new, brutal corn-Batman cracks more skulls on the trail of Bane, Bruce Wayne and Alfred fly away to sunnier climes in pursuit of the Venom drug. Even out of cowl, Wayne *is* Batman, and this pretender's adventures are already tiresome — particularly when he starts messing around with the legend's costume using his handy new weapon-designing skills... (RH) **6**

Batman Adventures 11 <+ -> (Puckett & Parobeck + Burchett) It's a joy to read such gloriously straightforward adventures in today's complex comics age. Beautifully simple yet stylish artwork on this story of the Man-Bat's return to Gotham. (RH) **8**

Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight 48 <+> (Moench & Heath) A scantily-clad Catwoman plays the Bat to capture the murderous Catman, with the resulting increase in the sexual tension between herself and the Batman. Superb. (PCP) **9**

Batman: Legends of the Dark Knight 50 <+++> (O'Neil' & Blevins) The earliest Batman/Joker confrontation is retold in a deluxe package which includes a glorious Bolland cover and all-star poster gallery. O'Neil's script shows the wit and style missing from his Bat-adventures of late, and Blevins is perfectly suited to drawing the Clown Prince. (RH) **9**

Batman/Grendel 2 <-> (DC/Comico; Matt Wagner) The conclusion is slightly less impressive than the beginning, but Wagner's team-up still makes fascinating reading, with the museum battle stunning — both in art and colouring. (RH) **9**

Batman: Shadow of the Bat 16 <+> (Grant & Blevins + Manley) The Scarecrow takes control of a class of kids in a routine I-was-bullied-for-being-a-nerd storyline that also features the new darker Knight, Azrael. Blevins' art looks better when he's inking it himself. (RH) **5**

Black Orchid 1 (Vertigo; Foreman & Thompson + Woch) Return of the character revitalised by Gaiman and McKean a few years ago. Foreman provides an interesting narrative and Thompson's art is even better than her **Sandman** stint, But the big question is, are there really enough new ideas here for the character to carry a regular series? (RH) **7**

Catwoman 1 (Duffy & Balent + Giordano) Jim Balent's art verges on cheesecake in places, with a few too many panels in which the focal point is the heroine's bust. Duffy's script is entertaining, but the forced links with the *Knightfall* storyline restrict what could have been a better first issue. (RH) **6**

The new-look Catwoman just means a sexier costume — but that aside, Balent's fine pencils buoy up a neat little tale of capers and gangland intrigue, despite the odd unbelievable scene. (SM) **8**

DC Universe: Trinity 1 (various) Three Oan deities return, spelling doom for the universe and heralding a confrontation between DC's space peace forces. Includes a three-part opener starring Green Lantern, The Darkstars and L.E.G.I.O.N. Impressive in all respects. (PCP) **9**

Detective Comics 665 <-> (Dixon & Nolan + Giordano) Bruce Wayne proves himself still resourceful even when in a wheelchair, as he tackles the kidnappers

of his doctor and Robin's Dad. Far less interesting is the new ultra-violent Batman in action; that will get very tiresome, very soon. (RH) **7**

Doom Patrol 69 <-> (Vertigo; Pollack & Medley + Higgins) There's an uncomfortable clash of children's book visuals and sexual themes in this book now. Still trying — and failing to emulate Grant Morrison, Pollack's writing lacks her predecessor's charm and credibility as this mish-mash of half-finished character ideas proves. (RH) **3**

Eclipso 11 <-> (Fleming & Newman + Kryssing) New Bart Sears imitator Audwynn Jermaine Newman debuts as this once-promising book descends yet further into predictable superheroics, bringing in a host of deadwood guest-stars to lead us to the inevitable mass-slaughter fight scene next month. (RH) **4**

Enigma 6 <+> (Vertigo; Milligan & Fegredo + Van Valkenburg) Michael's world is turned upside down as he faces up to the truth about his sexuality. Things finally fall into place and start to make some semblance of sense as Milligan's weird-epic races to its conclusion. (RH) **9**

Flash 80 <-> (Waid & Wierengo + Farmer) Wally clashes with old girlfriend Frances Kane, who's created a new persona behind which to hide her feelings of rejection (as people are always doing in comics). Despite the shlock psychology, this is as entertaining as always and new penciller Weirengo's work looks promising. (RH) **8**

Green Arrow 77 <-> (Grell & Hoberg + Nyberg) Ollie and Eddie go to a winter camp for killers, the kind of thing you see in **Punisher** every week. But Grell's treatment is subtle and witty, with strong characters — all things alien to Frank Castle. Sadly, the issue is let down somewhat by unusually substandard artwork from Hoberg and Nyberg. (RH) **7**

Green Lantern Annual 2 (Jones & Byrd + Davis) A hospitalised invalid regains the use of his limbs — plus super human powers — when attacked by aliens. Another entry in the *Bloodlines* introducing a promising new hero in what has so far been an up and down progress. (PCP) **6**

Green Lantern 44 <+> (Jones & Ha + Tanghal) Despite orders from the Guardians to merely observe, Green Lantern is drawn into a violent confrontation with the Triarch. L.E.G.I.O.N and Lobo make guest appearances with Gene Ha proving himself further here as a hot new artistic discovery. (PCP) **9**

Hellblazer 69 <+ -> (Vertigo; Ennis & Dillon) Another stunning issue. Steve Dillon is proving himself to be one of the most effective and original artists in the business, while Ennis contributes another terse, gripping tale. This storyline is virtually as good as any this title has seen. (SM) **10**

Jonah Hex: Two Gun Mojo 1 (Vertigo; Lansdale & Truman + Glanzman) Hex and an aging bounty hunter ride into a town occupied by zombies. Truman's feel for old West detail shines through, though it remains to be seen whether this incarnation meets the approval of Hex aficionados previously dismayed by the ill-fated Hex in-the-future series. (PCP) **5**

Jonah Hex: Two Gun Mojo 2 (Vertigo; Lansdale & Truman + Glanzman) Jonah is arrested for Slow Go's death, but a stranger helps him escape. I'm new to Hex, but this is instantly engrossing: grit, humour and necromancy combine in a

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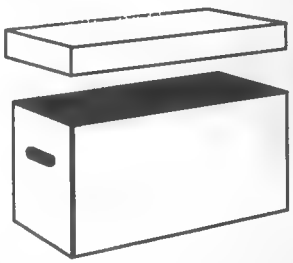

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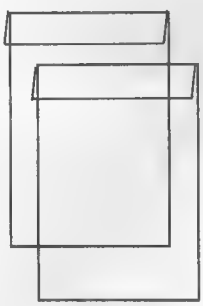

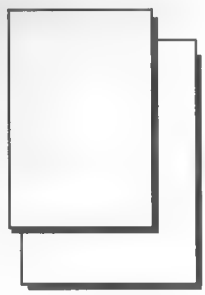

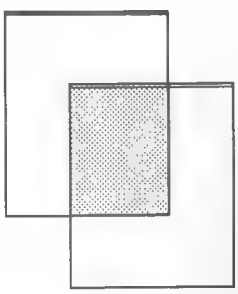

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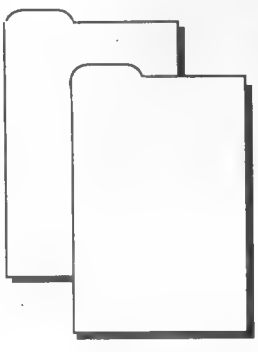

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comic which just oozes atmosphere, perfectly rendered by Truman. Another Vertigo gem. (MS) **9**

<+ -> The action heats up in this pacey, superior western as Jonah loses his partner — and almost his neck. Truman's art, magnificently inked by Sam Glanzman, has never looked better. (SM) **9**

Justice League of America 80 <- -> (Vado & West + Burchett) It's sad to see DC reverting to comics that would have looked poor and cheap even in the pre-*Crisis* days. Here are ridiculous aliens, politically correct scripting and, saddest of all, characters that have lost all of the appeal and individuality of the Giffen/DeMatteis heyday. (RH) **3**

The Last One 2 (Vertigo; DeMatteis & Sweetman) Myrwann relates the parable-like story of an old Hollywood comedy star in an attempt to save a junkie's life. Evocative and emotive scripting, but the art is still dull. (RH) **7**

<+ -> We learn a bit more about the mysterious Myrwann in this intriguing mini-series — embellished with suitable eeriness by Sweetman. (SM) **9**

Legion of Superheroes 46 <-> (Bierbaums & Immonen + Boyd) A well-executed crescendo of menace and horror, giving a real sense of Mordu's unstoppable force — which suddenly jerks to a halt, leaving an aftertaste of disappointment with its uneven pacing and tepid art. (FPB) **6**

Metamorpho 1 (Waid & Nolan + Boyd) **Flash** writer Waid is proving himself to be one of the better straight-superhero scripters at DC today and this new mini featuring Justice Leaguer Rex Mason re-affirms it. Played like an *Indiana Jones* movie, this is great fun, with pleasing art from Nolan. (RH) **8**

New Titans Annual 9 (Witcover & Hand, Davis + various) Voodoo practitioners meet alien invaders: abysmal is to kind a word for this *Bloodlines* episode. (PCP) **0**

Ragman: Cry of the Dead 1 (of 6; Lee & Morrissette) Rory Regan moves to New Orleans and has an obligatory meeting with voodoo cultists. A significant shift from the Giffen/Broderick scenario, but still nowhere near as good as the Seventies original. This one will sit on the racks and vegetate. (PCP) **2**

Sandman Mystery Theatre 5 (Wagner & Watkiss) Some gruesome decapitations bring Sandman into conflict with the Chinese *tong* underground in Wagner's continuing and excellent period melodrama. Signs indicate that many readers have dropped this title — poor judgement on their part, I think. (PCP) **8**

Shade, the Changing Man 39 (Vertigo; Milligan & Bachalo, Eaton + Bryant) In the conclusion to *Pond Life*, Shade escapes the watery depths and deals with the imposter, while Miles gets a pseudonym — Peter Milligan. Offbeat — even for this comic (inspired perhaps by Robert Altman's The Player) — but wry and funny, with a great ending. (MS) **8**

<-> Treading in Grant Morrison's footsteps, writer Laimling becomes Milligan [*it's an anagram — Ed*] and creates a comic based on the events around him. With its priggish opening sequence, the book is only saved by the writer's ability to observe real people's characteristics for a later regurgitation in fiction. (RH) **8**

<+> Brilliant issue, full of twists and surprises as we learn the real identity of Miles Laimling! Kathy and Lenny are two of the strongest, most realistic and most engaging characters in comics today, especially in the incomparable hands of Chris Bachalo. (SM) **10**

Spectre 10 <- -> (Ostrander & Mandrake) The Spectre goes to heaven to get information on a murderer, but what begins as a nice idea swiftly becomes ridiculous as the ghost clashes with St Michael in a giant fight scene at the pearly gates! A big disappointment, and one which shows a serious lack of imagination. (RH) **4**

Static 3 <-> (Milestone; McDuffie + Washington & Leon + Mitchell) Static is at his wisecracking best, facing up against a '90s version of Marvel's Sandman character, the villainous Tarmack. Great fun, superheroing with attitude! (RH) **7**

<-> The best of the Milestone titles still retains its charm, though like the early Marvels, its strength lies in its likeable lead characters. In other words, let's have more of Virgil, and less of Static. He deserves better than to just keep on having it out with an endless assortment of super-baddies. (SM) **8**

Superman 80 <+> (Jurgens & Breeding) The cyborg Superman shows his true colours when he joins in with the destruction of Coast City. Powerful script and visuals here make for a breathtaking chapter. (PCP) **8**

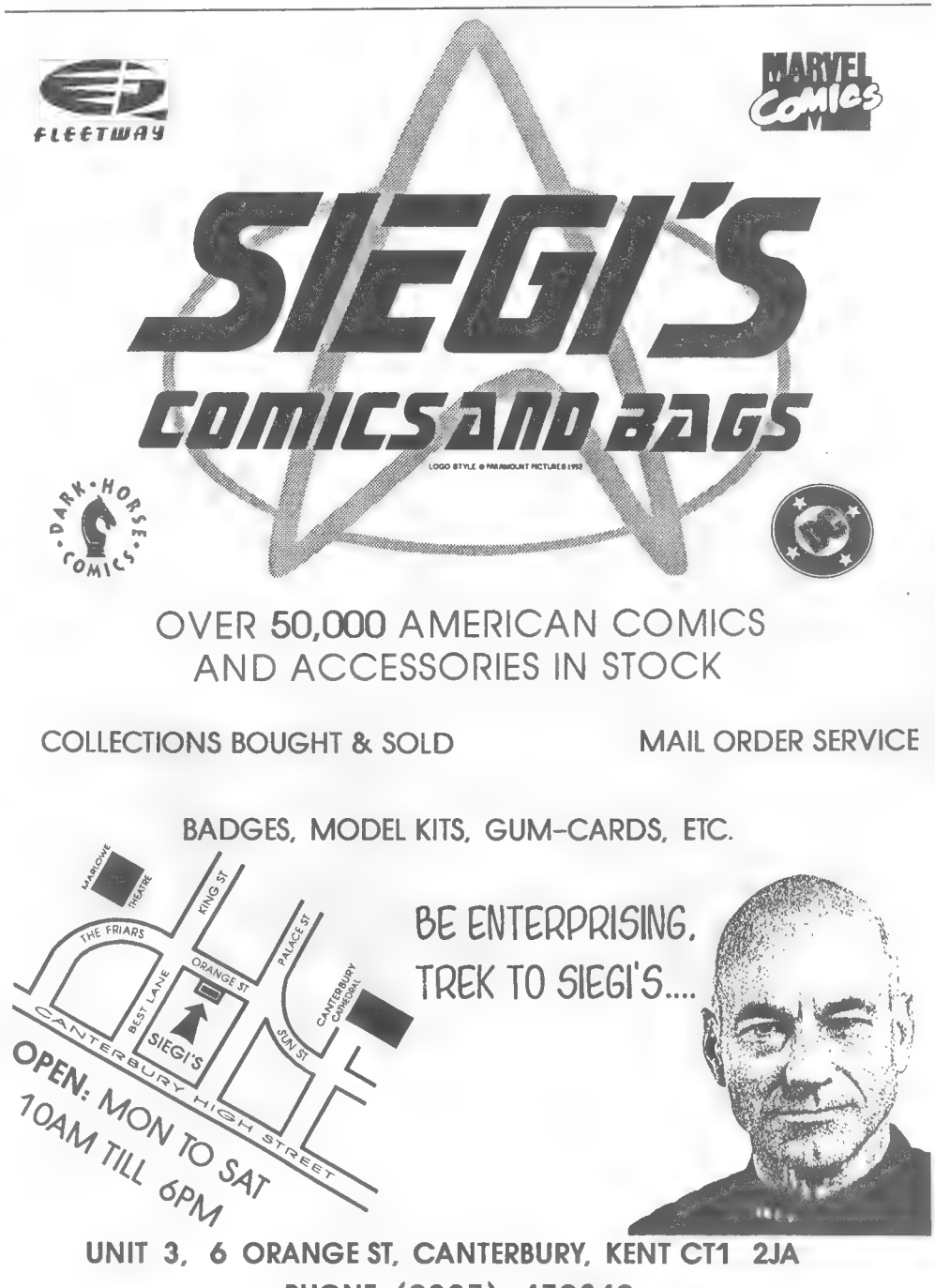
Superman 81 <+ -> (Jurgens & Breeding) He's back and he's wearing black — which looks surprisingly good on him. No, Superman hasn't gone Goth (although that might be interesting), but he *is* sporting a stylish new haircut and far fewer powers. Jurgens continues producing his best work to date. (RH) **8**

Superman: Man of Steel 25 <+ -> (L Simonson & Bogdanove + Janke) Clark comes back (we're not sure how, yet) to deal with the pretenders to the Super-crown and the threat of Mongul. You can say what you like about nobody ever staying dead in comics — it's good to have him back. (RH) **7**

Vertigo Jam 1 (Vertigo; various) On the whole a poorly illustrated, pretentious anthology which does the Vertigo line no credit. The only exceptions are Ennis's nasty little *Hellblazer* tale and a clever *Shade* story by Pete Milligan. Even the *Sandman* taster, which boasts beautiful artwork, is pretty humdrum — and the rest seem shallow and contrived. (MS) **3**

A mixed offering from the Vertigo bag. Gaiman chooses to write a simple introductory piece, nicely drawn by Kevin Nowlan; Animal Man talks to a turkey; Shade encounters a perverted priest; Swamp Thing meets a ghost. But the Doom Patrol and Kid Eternity offerings verge on the farcical and pretentious, respectively. The highlight, of course, comes from the current white-hot team of Ennis and Dillon — with John Constantine singing *Tainted Love*. (RH) **7**

Wonder Woman 78 <+> (Messner-Loebs & Moder + Parks) Flash guest stars as Diana becomes the target of an ultra-fast hitwoman. Meanwhile, Etta's given up candy and seems set to slim herself to



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death. Nicely observed superhero action accompanied by colourful art. (RH) **8**

Zatanna 3 <+ -> (Mars & Maroto) An amiable, lightweight tale, which begs for the sophisticated mold of a Vertigo title. (SM) **7**

MARVEL COMICS

Amazing Spider-Man 381 <+ -> (Michelinie & Bagley + Emberlin) Doc Samson is infected with a nasty virus that makes him want to fight people. Spider-Man and the Hulk intervene and — oops — the Hulk gets infected! Who would have thought that could happen? Superman died; Batman is incapacitated and **Spider-Man** is becoming impossible to read. One by one, our great heroes fall... (RH) **3**

Daredevil 319 <+ -> (Chichester & McDaniel, Collazo + Candelario) Chichester — surely a daring writer, but the jury's still out on whether he's the next Alan Moore or the next Don McGregor. The quality of artist McDaniel's work, in my opinion, is still dubious. The current multi-parter, which cheekily places Elektra: Assassin in the Marvel Universe, should decide it one way or the other. (FPB) **6**

Excalibur 68 <- - -> (Lobdell & Buccellato) Not bad as Lobdell stories go, but as to continuity — Captain Britain's missing and there's not a hint of *that* in issue 67 — and Cerise cannot, as this issue implies, be related to the Shi'ar. The amateurish, bitty artwork is a real nightmare after Alan Davis's excellent work. (FPB) **3**

Fight Man (Dorkin) This satirical look at superheroes is perceptive, intelligent — and vicious. Dorkin *is* a funny man, but here he shows such a chilling loathing and contempt that any appeal or empathy is rapidly lost. Try **Magnor** for warm-hearted wit with a bite. (FPB) **6**

Groo 104 <+ -> Rufferto looks for a new home for Oso before the fierce mutt takes his place at Groo's side. The two dogs can look so real at times — probably more than old turnip-nose himself ever will. (RH) **9**

Hulk 409 <+ -> (David & Frank + Smith) Hulk meets Motormouth and Killpower while in London, attempting to save Prince Charles from Madman. More treading water from the once-great Peter David, enlivened only by the subplot focusing on Rick Jones proposing to Marlo. (RH) **5**

Lethal Foes of Spider-Man 1 (Fingeroth & McDaniel + Vancata) Another case of offering very little for a high price, this $1.75 title throws together the Spider-Man villains recently imbued with new life by DeMatteis — then reduces *that* development to its most simplistic to make a four-issue long fight scene. (RH) **4**

New Warriors 38 <- -> (Nicieza & Robertson + Mahlstedt) The kids capture the kidnapper and murderer of various members of their families and Rage kills him — even though he's already powerless. This is the worst **New Warriors** issue ever (Robertson's art doesn't help) — so soon after the excellent issue #36, too. (FPB) **5**

Quasar 49 <-> (Gruenwald & Miehm + Cabrera) The cover gives a good indication both of Miehm's artistic skills — bad Marvel cloning and a touch of the story's impoverishment — a catfight. Gruenwald bungles what should have been a touching old-dying-mum-recovers scene and makes Kayla a Jean Gray/Phoenix copy, with a fight straight out of **X-Men** 105! (FPB) **4**

Spider-Man 38 <+++> (DeMatteis & Janson) Finally, a decent Spider-Man story — it's been so long. DeMatteis pulls out all the stops as Electro (the super-loser of the super-villain fraternity) develops a giant chip on his shoulder. Janson's art is at its gritty best, notably the J Jonah Jameson visuals, somewhat neglected of late. (RH) **9**

Spider-Man 2099 #10 <-> (David & Leonardi + Williamson) Something of a dull issue with Spider-Man battling another armour-suited baddie and then getting aggravation from his boss. The high spot is that Miguel's hologram servant, Lyja, is in love with him — that *is* a twist! (RH) **5**

Spider-Man 2099 #11 (David & Leonardi + Williamson) Spider-Man battles S.I.E.G.E; Lyla confesses her love for Miguel and Thanatos makes his debut appearance. The pace could do with slackening off for an issue or two, but the art's smooth and the scripting near perfect. **8**

Tor 2 (Epic; J Kubert) <+> I still say that Kubert can't write, but his lowest-common-denominator story of prehistoric treachery and tyranny suits the setting — and the artwork, which is beyond praise. These pages could be the great man's bid for immortality. (FPB) **9**

USAgent 2 <+ -> (of 4; Gruenwald & Wyman + Williams) This is everything Gruenwald's **Captain America** used to be: fast-moving, with engaging characterisation (this must be the most sympathetic USAgent ever) and continuity-correct (bringing back the charming Priscilla "Vagabond" Lyons). If only Cap... (FPB) **8**

Web of Spider-Man 104 <->(Kavanagh & Saviuk + Hudson) The hope was that after the dire *Maximum Carnage* crossover we might get a decent storyline but instead, Marvel just foist another crossover on us — *The Infinity Crusade* — and this one is even more stupid! Plus, another adventure with Spawn-rip-off, Nightwatch. I hope McFarlane sues: this is terrible. (RH) **0**

X-Men 23 (Nicieza & Kubert + Pennington) Something of a return to form, with a fairly inconsequential Cyclops/Dark Riders slugfest balanced by some intriguing new plot threads (is there a *third* Summers brother?), along with solid Kubert artwork. I could do without Kwannon though — why have two identical characters? (MS) **7**

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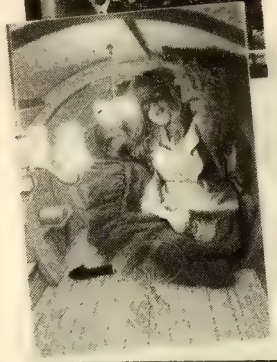

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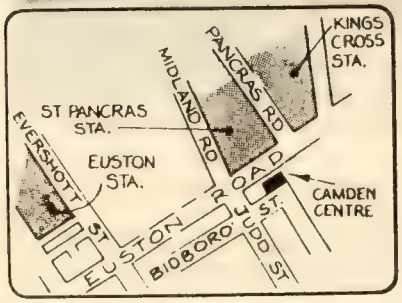

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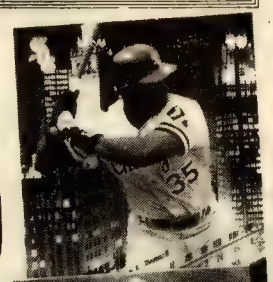

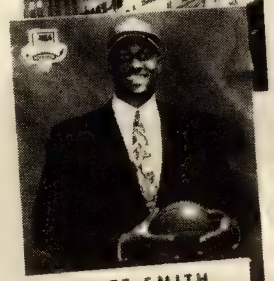

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which a Predator boards a space station orbiting an Alien-ravaged world. Plenty of good ideas combined with some sound art from Guice promise an exciting ride (even if — because of its bi-monthly schedule — we shall have to wait two years for the conclusion). (MS) 7

American Splendor 17 <-> (Dark Horse; Pekar & various) The long-awaited return of this unique comic proves a disappointment, with some personal trauma seemingly costing Pekar both his sense of humour and feel for irony. Here, those have been replaced by an air of gloom and sombre, rarely-alleviated navel watching. (SM) 6

Bloodsucker (Eros; Lunch & Bob Fingerman) Lydia Lunch is a respected alternative writer/performer, but beyond the shock value, she's stretched thin with the main story here. A rather lacklustre, unimpressive chronicle of a modern vampire — which is not helped by the crude, amateurish art. The short back-up story has a lot more impact. (SM) 5

Cerebus 0 (Aardvark-Vanaheim; Sim + Gerhard) As an introduction to newer readers (such as myself) this compilation of three single-issue stories is useful, if rather confusing. After all, **Cerebus** is an ongoing saga, not easily broken down into stand-alone stories. Still, it gives you something of the feel of the series — and *Square One* is superb. (MS) 7

Maximising on the publicity from his recent excellent work on **Spawn**, Dave Sim provides an incredibly good introduction to **Cerebus** for new readers; 100 pages of classic Aardvark-stuff that also fills the gaps between the 'phone-book-style reprints. Three stories — hilarious, touching and hilarious again — make not merely recommended but essential reading. (RH) 10

Cerebus 171 (Aardvark-Vanaheim; Sim & Gerhard) Cerebus passes out but still can't get any peace, being visited by the Elf and ghosts from the past and the future. Sim builds the tension nicely as we approach the conclusion of the second book of *Mothers and Daughters*. (RH) 9

Dark Horse Presents 75 <+> (Dark Horse; Jodorowsky & Moebius, Vess, C Moore + Robinson) Charles Vess's austere, stylish Scottish folk tale is a sample of a mature, individual talent and as such, dwarfs Moore and Robinson's insignificant science fiction story, *The Chairman* — and, sadly, Moebius's time-warped *Madwoman of the Sacred Heart*. (PFB) 6

Dirty Pair: Sim Hell 3 <+> (of 4; Dark Horse; Warren) The troublesome super-agents get a hint of who might be responsible for their current predicament. The stops-pulled action here never gets in the way of a constantly and elegantly evolving plot, with Warren holding the elements of science fiction and comedy in almost perfect balance. (FPB) 9

Femforce 60 (AC; Black & Pollard + Ayers + Heike) A continuation of the Paragon/Sentinels storyline featuring the death of one of the Vault heroes, in what is essentially a low-key affair. Back-up wise, Dragonfly arrives in Hollywood, to learn that she has not been consulted over the *Femforce* movie. Stunning Good Girl visuals. (PCP) 5

Femforce 61 (AC; Heike & Faydrich + Roberts + various) Tara returns to her jungle island retreat in a precursor to the **Jungle Girls — Wild Side** series, while Dragonfly has a confrontation with Mike Frankovitch, Jr at the studio. A good entry point for new readers. (PCP) 5

Femforce Up Close 5 (AC; Myers + Heike & Pollard + various) Routine actioner in which Blue Bulleteer's Senator father is abducted by World War Two terrorists. The corny dialogue doesn't help, either. (PCP) 3

Frederick and Eloise: A Love Story (Fantagraphics; Brian Biggs) I fail to see what there is in Biggs's whimsical, razor-thin tale to warrant a glossy cover and a hefty $4.95 price tag. At 16 pages, consisting of a mere 46 panels, this might have worked as a back-up strip. On its own, it's just a rip-off. (SM) 4

Ghost (Dark Horse; Richardson & Prosser + Weeks, A Hughes, Farmer) First, the good news: unbelievably cheap — especially for its fine art, colours and printing — and less doom-weary than expected. And now, the bad news: this hardly counts as a story; it's a continuation from *X* and *Pit Bulls*. It's readable, but by no means engages. (FPB) 6

Hardcase 1 (Ultraverse/Malibu; Hudnall & Callaghan + Breyfogle) A retired superhero-turned-actor finds that he's forced to abandon his career when a villain threatens his city. Sounds and reads like a **Wonder Man** plot, with which title it will undoubtedly be compared by readers. (PCP) 4

The Mighty Magnor 2 <+ -> (Malibu; Aragones and Evanier) A bit of Groo in the origin of the amnesiac Magnor, who turns out to have been the lickspittle aide of a paranoid tyrant. This has to be the most realistic superhero book ever, with Magnor's comics company picking up the tab for his destructive inclinations. This is great stuff. (FPB) 10

Next Men 16 <+ -> (Dark Horse; Byrne + Webb) Interpersonal turmoil! Angst! Unrequited romance! — cries comics editor Ben Horowitz gleefully, as the tensions within the Next Men start to erupt. Byrne thereby contrasts his "real life" heroes with comic book cliches, and the results are fascinating. (RH) 9

Prime 1 (Ultraverse/Malibu; Strazewski + Jones & Breyfogle) Introduction of a superhuman who uses some extreme measures to fight crime. A muscle-bound actioner with a formulaic plot — though the cliffhanger of an ending hints at better things to come. (PCP) 5

Look, as long as the hysterical, overblown, ugly artwork remains as it is, this could be written by a reborn Shakespeare and still be unreadable. Breyfogle, Cleary, Blevins, Zick and almost the whole Image crew — doesn't anybody believe in good taste any more? (FPB) 0

The Safest Place... (Dark Horse; Ditko) Political dissidents fight against a cruel regime to get information to the outside world. This is a character-based story, examining the motives of all its players — featuring some of the strongest Ditko art in years. An obscured gem. (RH) 8

It's hard to know how to grade this book; it is a triumph both of Ditko's genius for comics and of his narrowness of mind. He describes tyranny superbly, but only in collectivist dated Cold War terms. He just will not see that collectivism is not the only oppression there is. Under protest, I'll score this as a piece of fiction, ignoring Ditko's politics. (FPB) 10

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of the first magnitude and not helped at all by Ditko's decades-old visuals, along with the Bill-Clinton-as-Fifth-Columnist denouement. A Kirby concept that really should have stayed buried. (PCP) **0**

Sparkplug 2 <+> (of 3; Hero; Mougin & Martinez + Lansley) Despite egregious cliches like a dying villain shouting a vital clue, this is a good book. Its chief strength is an attractive, well-characterised heroine, trying to understand the world into which she has been catapulted from a secret Nazi childhood. This looks like a promising new art team, too. (FPB) **7**

An origin recap issue, notable for the debut of Henry Martinez — a Travis Charest clone, if ever there was one. Good scripting makes for a value-for-money purchase. (PCP) **6**

The Strangers 1 (Ultraverse/Malibu; Englehart & Hoberg + Bergard) Passengers on board a San Franciscan trolleycar suddenly acquire ultra-human powers when their carriage is struck by lightning. Six of them band together to investigate, in a plot taking a mysterious goddess and an android sex doll as focal points. This is the strongest of the Ultraverse debut issues, thankfully devoid of the ubiquitous Hulk-type musclemen. (PCP) **7**

A workable enough idea with striking art, but which is sadly diminished by hackeneyed dialogue. (RH) **6**

What a corking idea: hit 52 total strangers with a magic bolt, giving some of them superpowers, stand back and watch what happens. The brilliant scripting from a revitalised Englehart coupled with more than competent art from Hoberg definitely makes *me* want to know what's going to happen next. (FPB) **9**

Tank Girl II #1 (Dark Horse; Hewlett & Martin) Beyond weird — this gives new meaning to the word bizarre... This is my first taste of **Tank Girl**, and it's heady stuff — satire collides head-on with toilet humour. Fantastic stuff if you surrender and don't attempt anything as daft as understanding it. (MS) **8**

Uncle Scrooge 280 <+> (Disney; Barks) *The Strange Shipwrecks*, apart from being a well-made tale of sea thievery, contains exceptional art and some of the finest displays ever of Barks' mastery of storytelling; but the ending happens a bit too fast. Other than that, this is classic Barks material. (FPB) **9**

Uncle Scrooge 281 <- -> (Gladstone; Barks, Strobl, Branca + Gabner) The Barks story is well contrived — with touches of poetry and splendid art, but the denouement sentimental. The Branca and Gabner Beagle Boys episode is an acceptable, fast-moving comic interlude but strangely, the best piece on offer this issue is a Tony Strobl one-page gag, *Odd Offspring*. (FPB) **6**

UK TITLES

Adventures of Superman 6 <+> (Fleetway; Jurgens & Kubert, Ordway & Janke) Superman confronts the Eradicator and Husque returns. The high point of the issue is Jerry Ordway's lovely double-page picture of a tidal wave sweeping Metropolis: it's breathtaking. (PTO) **8**

Adventures of Superman 7 <+ -> (Fleetway; Jurgens & Perez, Ordway & Gammill + McLeod) Another pair of stories featuring the Eradicator and Husque. Behind the scenes, tension builds in this holding-ground issue. (PTO) **7**

Dark Angel 10 (Marvel UK; Jaye & Barras) Co-featuring the X-Men yet again — these are the characters who've well-nigh destroyed planets — so why does it take 20-odd pages to smash up a few robots? Give us a break! (PB) **0**

Judge Dredd 29 <+ -> (Fleetway; various) John Smith has proven himself the best Dredd writer since Wagner and Grant with this concluding episode of *The Jigsaws Murders*. *Missionary Man* looks good — as long as there's some diversity in the storylines and, of course, Alan Grant and Kevin Walker's *Judge Anderson* is simply excellent. (DP) **9**

Judge Dredd Mega-Special 6 (Fleetway; various) Despite the presence of Dredd mainstays Wagner and Grant this love/hate special is still an enjoyable read. High points are John Smith's *Hate Inc* (drawn by the John Higgins-like Bennett) and the return of Devlin Waugh in a text story. Conversely, both *Young Love* and *Science King Pest Control* are, quite frankly, pointless. (DP) **7**

Mindbenders 1 (MBS; various) The choice of science fiction-fantasy genres here signals that **Mindbenders** isn't a play-safe title; impressive when you consider that most men of Eric Bradbury's age have long since retired (hopefully gracefully). Even among those who haven't done so, how many would have the talent and nerve to illustrate the only contemporaneous strip, *Freddie's Last Stand*? As with any anthology, the quality of individual features varies — but this hefty publication should not be dismissively labelled "a noble experiment"; it's the must-read of the must-reads — and thereby a must-buy. **8**

Motormouth & Killpower 12 (Marvel UK; various) Richard Elson & Carlos Pacheo pencil a strip apiece, and albeit stylistically different, both know how to construct and visualise a story pleasing to the eye — but not derivative. Andrew Cartmel shows that it's still possible to script a slam-bang slugfest of a tale with substance to it. If Marvel UK had used creators like this before, they wouldn't have had to cancel the title! (PB) **7**

2000AD 837 <+ -> (Fleetway Editions; various) Fleetway Edition's flagship anthology has definitely improved over the last couple of months. This issue, plaudits must go to Smith & Marshall's *Firekind* and to Pete Milligan for his excellent scripting on the *Bad Company* finale. (DP) **8**

2000AD 841 (Fleetway Editions; various) A filler issue, which even (gasp!) has a black & white strip. Nevertheless, the *Purgatory* story is sound stuff and a welcome return of *The Clown*. Five new strips start next issue; let's hope they're all that they're promised to be here. (MS) **5**

2000AD 845 (Fleetway Editions; various) The much-vaunted new strips were worth vaunting — notably *Big Dave* and *Slaughter Bowl* (John Smith). The fly one is *Really & Truly*, which is too kitsch to be engaging. Ezquerra and Yeowell provide spectacular art throughout. (MS) **9**

Overkill 30 <+> (Marvel UK; various & Ramis) Not before time, **Overkill** gets a bit of cosmetic surgery — there's a great cover — and two new strips, *Super Soldiers* and *Black Axe*. The stories (inked by Rod Ramos) all hold up well, but the best thing about this issue's face-lift is the much-improved cover logo, after

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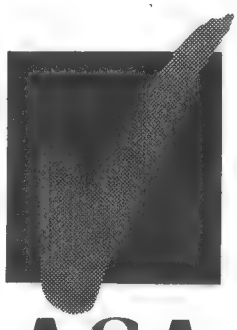

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Overkill 31 <- - -> (Marvel UK; various & Ramos) An impoverished issue, with the drab *The Lotus FX* concluding and the *Super Soldiers* storyline proving one of the worst-ever pieces of comic writing. Wholly unsatisfactory. (PTO) **3**

Overkill 31 (Marvel UK; various) *Super Soldiers* and *Black Axe* are welcome additions — as are the editorial team, who appear to have some enthusiasm for the job. (PB) **5**

Warheads 11 (Marvel UK; Nick Vince & Dave Taylor) Typical adventure story, but with vastly improved dialogue writing and artwork. (PB) **5**

Warheads 12 (Marvel UK; Freeman & Houston + Jennett & Buylla) It's re-evaluation time for the Kether group, so expect a change in direction, soon. It's certainly long overdue. (PB) **4**

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Defiant start

SHOOTER'S BACK and with a vengeance. **Plasm 1** from his new Defiant Comics imprint featured very high in the top ten ordered comics in both Diamond and Capital City distribution charts. One in the eye for those who believe that it is only artists that sell product, Jim must be quietly gloating. It isn't often that a publisher/writer can outsell Jim Lee, Rob Liefeld and all but two Marvel titles in one month.

A Valiant struggle

PRICES FOR Valiant back issues are plummeting in the United States and dealers are not sure if it is through speculators unloading quantities of the scarcer titles, or from dealer and fan backlash after the **Turok: Dinosaur Hunter 1** fiasco. Dealers at the recent New York convention were unloading many "key" Valiant titles at up to half advertised price. **Magnus** 12 which features the first Valiant-Age Turok, has fallen from an average of $120 to closer to $75, while **Rai**'s 3 and 4, the very rare issues, with small print runs have dropped from $95 to $65. **Turok** 1 can be found for as little as $1.00 an issue in places. Where some dealers believed this was the last time they would "catch a cold" on a hyped book, many have had to slash the retail price of **Deathmate Prologue** by up to half of its $2.95 cover price, as virtually every retailer of new comics in the western world have fallen into the old over-ordering trap.

Many large retailers in the USA — especially those that order in excess of 25,000 copies of books such as **Spawn, X-Men** and hyped first issues — are going to this year's distribution seminars with more demands than ever before, the main complaint being — take some of the risk out of ordering new product.

PITT-face

PETER David has gone into print saying that Dale Keown's departure from the **Incredible Hulk** caused no animosity between him and the Image artist. Yet at the Great Eastern Convention in New York in June, Peter was heard to comment that "Dale looks as if he modelled PITT on his reflection in a side-show mirror." So much for no hard feelings.

Keown, it has been suggested, took so long over getting the second issue of PITT out, because he invested the cheque from issue 1 into building a recording studio in his Canadian home. The reason why PITT 2 has finally appeared may never be given, but Keown was joined by two inkers before the comic was put back on Image's release schedule. Keown's **Hulk** run is still one of the most sought-after Marvel back issues of recent years, although prices aren't as buoyant as they once were.

The group which he helped Peter David create, The Pantheon, are to get their own Marvel mini-series early in 1994 and although Keown won't have anything to do with this project, watch out for one of the guys who followed his route to Marvel — via Malibu — Paul Pelletier.

Too many chiefs?

TODD Johnson and Larry Stroman haven't taken the Image's cancellation of their project **Tribe** lying down. To pre-empt the new imprint they are helping to create, Axis Comics, they are releasing an all-new, never-before-seen story of **Tribe** in trading card format similar to **Plasm 0**. This follows the announcement that the supposed ongoing series from Image will be cancelled at issue 2 and not with issue 5 as previously reported.

A more recent theory on why the Image books have been cancelled has surfaced: Image attracted most of the big names in the industry to work for them, but apart from a handful of letterers and colourists, they have few auxiliary staff.

Effectively what happens is when one of the top seven comes into the office with his latest project and wants it lettered and coloured so he can get it printed, whoever is working on a 'lesser' job such as **Tribe, Trencher** or **Wildstar** has to leave it to do the higher prioritised title.

The origin of pogs

ACCORDING to most trade papers and magazines in America, milk caps or pogs as they are apparently known, are said to have originated in Hawaii. Not so, say stamp peripheral suppliers *Safe Albums (UK) Ltd* of Wokingham, Berkshire. Their catalogue states under a section for "a new area of collectables" — Milk and Yoghurt top collecting originated in Switzerland, but is already attracting interest in other European countries.

Creating an image

MALIBU must be very happy with the addition of Barry Windsor-Smith's **Rune** to their Ultraverse titles, despite the fact that the hero looks more like an old Conan villain.

The recent news that they have also signed up fan favourite George (Everything) Perez, to do bookend stories for the winter's Ultraverse crossover, must have made people realise that Malibu is one of the key players in the current comics publishing skirmishes.

These two industry greats are being added to an existing line-up which includes Norm (**Batman**)

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Captain Stinky

BOTH Steve Englehart and Roger Stern, former writers on **Captain America**, have recently aired their feelings about America's number one hero and super patriot. Englehart, finding new success with **The Strangers** for Malibu, said that he thought the holier than thou approach made it impossible to do anything controversial with the Cap and as a character concept for the nineties Captain America stank.

Stern, now winning plaudits at DC for his successful run on **Action Comics**, said that he would love to be known as the man who killed Captain America. He also said that Marvel wouldn't ever do anything risque with Steve Rogers. When he had suggested that Steve start to go bald he was told fine, do it, just make sure it takes fifty years for it to happen.

Fuzzy Image

ONE HAS to say most people are feeling a little bemused with the ups and downs at Image Comics. At virtually the same time publisher Tony Lobito was announcing the cancellation of five books for incredibly ambiguous reasons, Jae Lee of **Namor** and **Youngblood: Strikefile** fame announced that he will be doing an Image book of his own creation over the next few months. With the draught of back-up talent, one hopes he can colour and letter as well as he can draw.

Meanwhile Jim Lee has won some applause for not relaunching the **WildC.A.T.S** continuing series at issue one. Although a lot of speculators will be disheartened to hear he is continuing the numbering from the mini-series (starting up with #5), fans will at least have grounds to believe that Lee isn't just after the speculator money.

Knightrise

INCREDIBLE prices are being charged for first edition copies of *Knightfall* in the USA, yet in this country copies can still be obtained for little more than cover price.

Recent prices for early issues in parts of the States are exceeding $25 each and dealers are starting to come over here in search of a book which Americans feel has more appeal for the fan and speculator than *The Death of Superman* had.

Silver age comeback

DUE LARGELY to a backlash against hype and huge cover prices for pieces of card with dazzling enhancements, many fans are rediscovering the Silver Age.

After the late 1980s incredibly price hikes, the Silver Age market quietened down. Considering that a new comic with an embossed or hologram cover will cost you in the region of £2-3 on average, it is understandable that some fans are returning to a period of time they know and a defined period at that — no waiting for the next issue every month.

In on the auction

THE MODEL and toy collector world in the United States appears to have almost as many auctions as fairs. Probably because in a recession, where supply is greater than demand, collectors are offered disappointingly low prices by retailers for their prize possessions.

So it is encouraging to see that the new trend of specialist auctions seems to be taking off in this country. Flight of Fantasy's Mike Conroy reports that there has been a continual growth each auction in bids realised. Postal auctioneers Compal has continued to expand and recently sold a fine condition, pence copy of **Amazing Spider-Man 1** for £1870. Proving that there are indeed other ways to make a profit on your saleable collectibles.

Ah, gee!

THIS YEAR'S **Marvel Illustrated Swimsuit Special**, when promoted, was to have had a centrefold of a *naked* superhero, although the book would be G-rated or generally suitable for all ages. On receipt of the $3.95 magazine, fanboys all over the country scoured the pages for a nude superheroine. But unless you count Medusa of the Inhumans wrapped in her own hair, the nearest thing we saw to nudity was Ghost Rider — minus clothes, costume, skin, flesh, etc.

Marvel UK — OK?

WITH THE news that Marvel UK is to cancel three titles and retail reports appearing in US trade magazines that sales are poor for the company, just how well is Marvel UK doing?

According to both Diamond and Capital distributors, none of the books are charting high on their monthly lists. Looking at Capital City Distribution's **Internal Correspondence** and Diamond's **Diamond Dialogue**, from the rankings below we can see the following performance of Marvel UK's July 1993 titles:

91(Capital)-97(Diamond) **Death³ 1**
104-93 **Bloodseed 1**
119-128 **Immortalis 1**
120-147 **Children of the Voyager1**
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The Movers & Shakers of Comics in America

AMERICAN feature magazine **Comic Book Collector** has published a potentially controversial feature for its San Diego Comic Convention issue entitled *The Twenty Most Powerful People in the Comic Book Industry*. However, the listing could be considered more contentious for its exceptions, than the inclusions. Despite their obvious prominence and power within the industry, several notables appear to have been ignored or overlooked including: Jenette Kahn, (president of DC Comics), Ronald Perelman (owner of Marvel Comics and reported to be the fifth richest man in the entire United States), Tom DeFalco (editor-in-chief of Marvel) or Stan Lee (the man who jump-started the entire industry). Their absence is made more notable by **Comic Book Collector**'s criteria of including the people in comics who exert power, have great influence or are just too important to be ignored.

The prominence of distributors over publishers and, in some cases, retailers over publishers indicates the direction the American market would appear to be taking. A full list appears below.

1. Steve Geppi (President: Diamond Comic Distributors)
2. John Davis & Milton Griepp (President & Chairman: Capital City Distribution)
3. Terry Stewart (President — Marvel Comics)
4. Paul Levitz (Executive Vice-President/Publisher DC Comics)
5. Rob Liefeld (co-founder of Image Comics)
6. Todd McFarlane (co-founder of Image Comics)
7. Gareb Shamus (Publisher of **Wizard**)
8. Gary Colabuono (owner of Chicago retail outlets Moondog's and founder of Direct Line Group, a retail coalition.)
9. Steve Massarsky (Publisher of Valiant Comics)
10. Mike Raub (owner of Connecticut retail chain Dream Factory)
11. Scott Rosenburg (President of Malibu Comics)
12. Chuck Rozanski (owner of Mile High Comics)
13. Bill Liebowitz (owner of Los Angeles' Golden Apple retailers)
14. Neil Gaiman (British writer on **Sandman**, etc.)
15. Jim Shooter (Publisher of Defiant Comics, ex-CEO of Valiant)
16. David Sim (Publisher/creator of **Cerebus**)
17. Mike Richardson (Publisher of Dark Horse Comics)
18. Jim Hanley (owner of chain of shops: Jim Hanley's Universe)
19. Don & Maggie Thompson (co-editors of **Comic Buyers Guide**) .
20. Buddy Saunders (owner of Texas' Lone Star Comics)

The Movers and Shakers of Comics in Britain

INSPIRED by **Comic Book Collector**'s listing, **Comics International** is pleased to present its nominations for *The Movers and Shakers of* comics in Britain. The following is a list of people considered to be the most prominent, influential and/or innovative, within the country. Having their own creator awards writers and artists are excluded, while retailers warrant their own dedicated ballot.

We would like you to choose ten from the following, well known for their achievements in the industry, who you feel are the Movers and Shakers of comics in Britain. Then tear out this page or photocopy it and send it to:

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- ☐ Burton, Richard (Editor: **2000AD** group)
- ☐ Campbell, Colin (Distributor: First Choice Wholesale)
- ☐ Conran, Vincent (Managing Director: Marvel UK)
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As promised last month, you'll find our independents listed again. A great many of them are stocked in depth, but some (since our last indie listing) are very thin on the ground, so get your orders in early. Epic Comics are also listed (after Marvel) this month.

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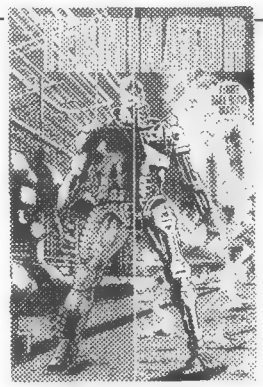

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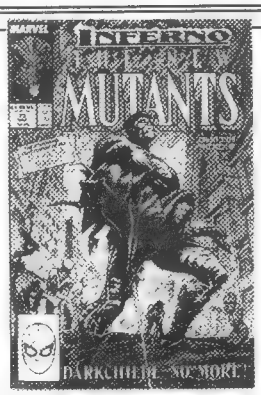

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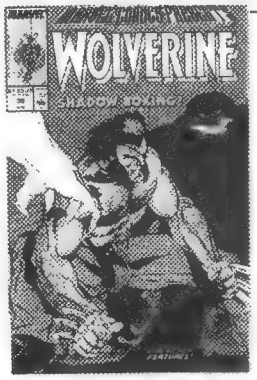

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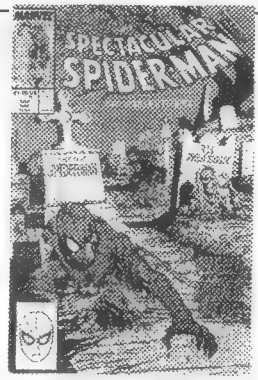

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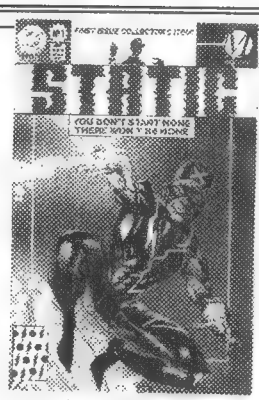

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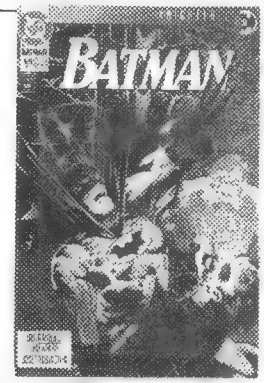

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Patrick Butler,
30 Collison Street, Nottingham

Is it me, or has the comics industry started to become a bit bitchy? Call me cynical, neurotic or whatever, but do we really have to have a whole letters column *and* a comments page (**Comics International 33**) full of complaining? Sure, people can express their opinions, but isn't there anybody out there who reads for fun or sheer enjoyment? Not that this letter is exactly full of praise either and that's the frightening thing.

You can't really blame the consumer when companies are fighting each other over market share, with money as the weapon. It brings the whole industry down. Certainly, there are some greedy sods out there hawking their product on a gullible public, but is this grounds for such pessimism? The joy of comics for me, comes from not taking them to seriously. If you're more concerned about whether it's a double bagged — near mint — gold special edition over reading the thing, then I think maybe you'd be better off collecting stamps instead.

Alan J Porter, 11 Oakley Way,
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It was good to see Andrew Harvey's opinion (*Letters,* **Comics International 32**) in response to my own (*Comment,* **Comics International 31**). It is always gratifying to write something that provokes a response.

In answer to several of the points Andrew raised in his letter, I would firstly like to say that the comments printed were extracted from a much longer letter I sent to **Comics International** last year. Since the time of writing, I have relaunched the mail order side of Forest Comics, taken over the organising of the Bristol Comic Marts and have become much more aware of the true costs of running the business on a larger scale.

His point about the statistical evidence is valid, as figures can be manipulated to prove almost anything. However I still feel strongly that the central issue remains valid. That is that for the majority of small mart dealers, with their lower purchasing power and associated costs etc., their overhead may be smaller in terms of hard cash, but it is still on par with a retail operation in terms of percentage of mark-up. Thus leading to mart prices being on par with shop prices.

The overall point of the piece was in fact to refute the idea that small mart dealers, were only "suitcase merchants" or "part-timers" out to make a fast buck.

As to the last point about the costs incurred and difficulties in opening a shop, I have made three attempts to open a comic shop over the last six months, on each occasion only to be thwarted by circumstances beyond my control.

On the first occasion, a survey on the property revealed a leaking roof. The second attempt saw me gazumped by a local retail investor. And last but not least, finding an ideal shop with favourable terms, being two days from completion, when my "day-job" changes and I am asked to relocate! Talk about frustration. But I still fully intend to open a shop in the not too distant future.

Avedon Carol
Feminists Against Censorship
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I couldn't let Sarah Bolesworth's *Media File* (**Comics International 30**) go unremarked.

Ms Bolesworth's story refers to a seizure of alleged "snuff" videos at a Birmingham comic mart on 4 April, 1993. After learning of that same seizure, I tracked down people in the know and determined that, once again, we were hearing scare-mongering by officials who don't know when they are looking at special effects.

The legend of "snuff" movies began sometime in the mid-1970s, and since then police all over the world have tried to find evidence of even one such film. A hefty reward is on offer in the United States for proof of any such movie's existence, but even so, no evidence of a "snuff" film has ever been found.

A trading standards officer who was involved with the Birmingham seizure assured me that he believes he has now seen the first feature film in which a human being is actually killed on camera — but the film he saw, *Cannibal Holocaust,* is in fact a well-known horror film, decades old, and the alleged "victim" was still alive after the movie was finished.

The myth of snuff movies has been heavily promoted by right-wing moralists and anti-pornography campaigners of every stripe. Proposals for censorship frequently ride on the presumption that there is a deluge of child pornography and "snuff" movies that can only be stopped by new legislation. In truth, child pornography made by abusing children is rare even where child porn isn't illegal, but in the UK it is already so illegal that you could be prosecuted for having your own baby pictures; no new legislation is necessary to suppress child porn.

"Snuff" movies, even if they existed, would still be horror movies, which, not pornography, is a violent genre in need of heavy controls. In fact, pornography is far less violent than most media.

Be on guard against the use of myth and lies to promote censorship.

Paul Aaman, 6 Keswick Drive,
Boothville, Northants.

Has it ever occurred to all of us comic fans just how self-righteous we have become about our hobby. We have put our comics on a pedestal and expect the ignorant "real world" to accept that comics are as valuable a commodity as gold, stocks and shares, antiques and stamp collecting.

Recently, a good friend of mine lost his collection in a fire. Although he had ample insurance cover, he found a great deal of prejudice and disbelief at the cost/value of certain items.

A local retailer, after a break-in, found the police officers dealing with the theft to be sarcastic and incredulous over his estimations of the replacement cost of comics stolen.

Recent newspaper articles have continued to trivialise comics: a recent **Daily Mirror** article portrayed price guide publisher Duncan McAlpine as a comics-bore and a rabid profit-merchant.

No one in the "real world" takes comics as seriously as comic fans. We are an anomaly: a little like *Rocky Horror Picture Show* groupies or train-spotters. Even such imprints as Vertigo have not helped comics "come of age", they just became a diversity for comic fans who are fed up with standard superheroes. It's not until other media actually accept that our hobby has a wide diversity and isn't aimed exclusively at the anorak and National Health glasses brigade, that we will see serious comments, meaningful coverage and a degree of belief from insurance claims departments, the local constabulary and the non-comic fan in the street.

John Miller, 38 Inverleith Row,
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I've just spent a few hours reading the latest **Comics International** with a pot of tea to keep me going. Thanks for another compendium of up-to-date news and reviews.

The Q & A section on page 25 is an interesting new feature. It was interesting to read about how **Famous Monsters of Filmland** is to be relaunched. I'll check it out.

Ah yes, I remember "Forry's Folly" (as you called it) very well from the days when **Famous Monsters** sold in local newsagents and in places like the amazing Mantonini's cafe/chippy near Motherwell, which in those days was the main source for Marvels and DCs in the area. That was in the early '60s before there were any specialist shops and mail order barons were then unknown to me.

Famous Monsters was quite a treat, with features such as *Hall of Fame, You Axed For It* and *Hidden Horrors,* it was a monster-magazine and a half. There were other monster/horror 'zines like **Shriek, Monster Mania,** and Charlton's **Mad Monsters** but none conveyed the enthusiasm that Forrest J Ackerman infused **Famous Monsters** with.

Ronan Kane, Grove House, Drogheda,
County Louth, Ireland

On the face of it, the expulsion of the second year group of Image creators — Grell, Stroman and Giffen — by Tony Lobito seems despicable. Doubly so as **Comics International** rightly points out, these titles are outselling three Spider-Man titles and most of the Valiant line. Taking into account that **Tribe, Shaman's Tears** and **Trencher** are all superhero titles, Lobito's explanation that Image wants to go back to its superhero roots doesn't fly.

Could there be another explanation? My theory follows. In the beginning McFarlane, Lee, Liefeld, Larson, Portacio, Valentino and Silvestri got together to form Image comics. It was a big step, a gamble; they could fall flat on their faces. Intending to beat Marvel and Dc at their own game, they issued an open invitation to all the leading lights of the comics industry, "come to work at Image". Many took up the offer, the rest is history.

One year later, the core seven members hold secret meetings with Lobito, the gist could have been something like this... "Hey, this is getting out of hand, we've busted our chops setting up Image, we took the risks and now the label's a gold mine. We're letting the likes of Giffen and Ordway move in and use our marketing label, what do we get out of it? Our own individual titles are deep in doo-doo, we can't get them out on time, we've taken on too much work. We now invite all the leading lights of the industry to work for Image." This policy has already begun, witness **WildC.A.T.S** — Gerber and Charest, **Cyberforce** — Simonson, and **Shadowhawk** — Giffen and Grant.

I read the cancellation of the second year Image titles not so much as a despicable act than an as a statement from the boys at Image, "The gravy train is over, the buck stops here". Put simply, if Van Gogh were alive today, he would not be allowed to do his own independent Image property, he would be offered **WildC.A.T.S** or told to work elsewhere.

My, my, they certainly have out done Marvel and DC.

David Roy, Glasgow

I have been most disturbed by the recent letters and comments made in your magazine in relation to snuff movies (issues 30, 31 and 32).

In issue 31, page 21 Ms Sarah Bolesworth quoted my definition of a snuff movie but failed to state the context in which it was given. Scared Sarah? I had questioned her assertion that a comic mart was not a suitable place to sell snuff movies. By implication this means that Ms Bolesworth feels that there is a suitable place. I asked her where this was as I did not feel anywhere was suitable to buy or sell videos of murders. As Mr Hall in issue 32, page 46 pointed out, that would be a criminal offence.

My quote was therefore given no context, nor indeed any justification for it in the first place. Thus, Ms Bolesworth, how are people to comment upon it, as you requested in your 'writing' in issue 31, page 21?

Mr Phil Hall (whom I believe ran the excellent *Squonk Comics)* did comment upon it based in assumptions, as he had no context. He believed myself to have viewed several snuff movies based on the fact that I happen to know they exist and what their content is; and he suggested that I was thus a 'video nasty'.

Mr Hall, I design for the theatre and several years ago I designed the set for a play entitled *Female Parts* which deals with the issue of snuff movies, pornography and the exploitation of women in general. As part of this I researched snuff movies. I did not though subject myself to watching one as (a) this was not necessary to my research and (b) I found the idea of watching rape and murder repulsive and offensive. I presume or assume from your letter Mr Hall that you feel likewise.

My advice though is for you to think carefully before you assume knowledge, especially from 'journalists?' such as Ms. Bolesworth.

To Ms. Bolesworth I must state that I do not believe that you parody the lower elements of the tabloids but are indeed part of these lower elements of tabloid journalism. Your failure to recognise, let alone respond to my comments I feel justify my points.

To **Comics International** I must state my disappointment that your usually quality magazine is diminished by the selective writing of a selective 'journalist'. Without complete contextualised information, any publication can become a dangerous weapon as various organisations and individuals have shown throughout history, read **Nineteen Eighty Four** if you doubt me.

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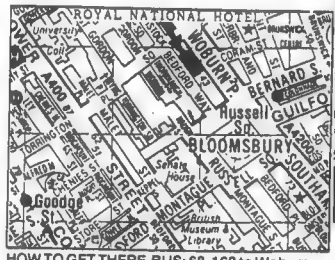

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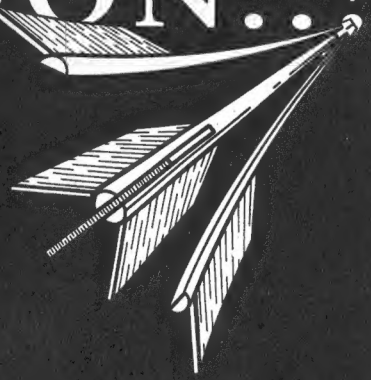

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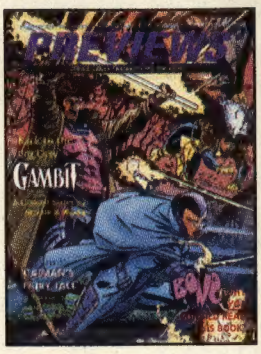

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